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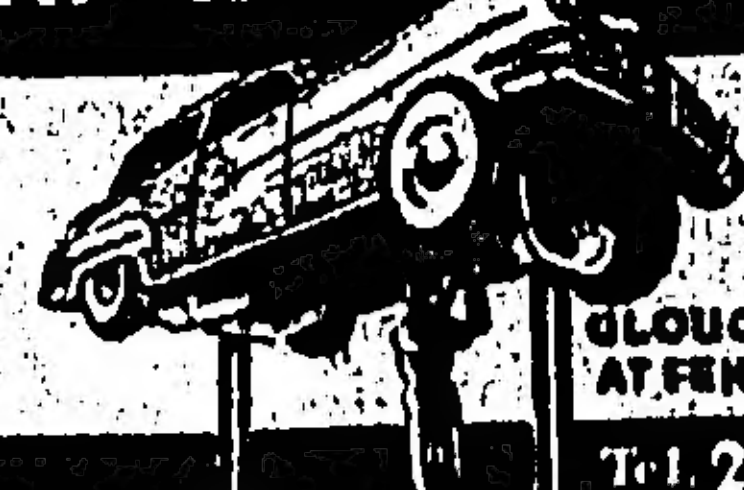
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Further lengthening of the daily fresh water supply hours has been officially approved. From tomorrow, the daily hours of supply will be from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Solicitor charged at Central

A Hong Kong solicitor and a director of the Yung Wah Motion Picture Industries Company appeared at Central Magistracy yesterday on a charge of conspiracy to procure false evidence to the perversion of justice.

Defendants, M. A. da Silva and Shuo Kwai-tam, alias H. T. Lo alias H. K. Lo, are alleged to have conspired with others not in custody to procure false evidence by W. H. Cowie.

The case was remanded for a week by Mr. J. Reynolds at the request of Mr. Tom Chishman, Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation for Kowloon, who prosecuted.

Silva is represented by Sir Man-kan Lo, Mr. John McNell, KC, is appearing for second defendant on the instructions of Mr. C. Y. Kwan. Defendants and others not in custody are accused of the conspiracy some time between May 1 and June 2 in connection with a criminal case now pending in which one Cheung Dik-chan was charged with manslaughter and dangerous driving. Before Mr. Reynolds yesterday, both defence counsel appeared for bail.

Bail fixed

The prosecution made no objection to the \$10,000 personal recognisance put up by Silva, but objected to a similar sum in respect of second defendant. Mr. Chishman explained that the matter was different in each case. First defendant was a British subject, whereas Shao was born in China. The prosecutor told the Bench that he had been instructed to ask for a heavy bail for Shao—at least \$25,000. Mr. Reynolds upheld the prosecution's request, and bail at this amount was accordingly fixed.

Concern felt over Smuts

Pretoria, South Africa, June 3.

The physicians who are attending Field Marshal Jan Christian Smuts, "Grand Old Man of the British Empire," are gravely concerned over his condition, well informed sources said today. (It was understood in London that Marshal Smuts is suffering from coronary thrombosis as well as sciatica and pneumonia.) The aged soldier-statesman's four daughters, his son, his grandchildren and his 78-year-old wife are with him. The gates of his farm are barred to keep visitors from disturbing him. The government authorities issued a national appeal that nobody telephone the house.—United Press.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (8 a.m. HKST) from a depression to the SE of Tokyo a trough extends SWward to South Port, thence Wward through South of Hong Kong to a depression over North India. Today's forecast: Moderate Easterly winds, partly cloudy. Tomorrow: Partly cloudy. Maximum: 82°F, Min: 74°F. Sunday: Partly cloudy. Maximum: 82°F, Min: 74°F. Average: 77°F. Wind: 10-15 mph. Rainfall: 0.1 inch. Humidity: 70-80%.

ss. Tsinan breaks blockade, due here on Wednesday

MAUSANG ARRIVES TODAY

A second British ship, the ss. Tsinan, has broken the Nationalist naval blockade to Shanghai successfully.

With a light cargo, the Tsinan steamed out of the Yangtze at noon yesterday. She is due in Hong Kong early on Wednesday.

On the heels of the Tsinan success, it was reliably reported yesterday that one large British shipping company in Hong Kong has already completed plans to send four of their larger merchant ships to Shanghai some time next week.

Though the Tsinan is not returning to Hong Kong with a full cargo, it was pointed out that this was not indicative of the amount of Shanghai cargo available to Hong Kong.

Red threat in Japan evaporates

Tokyo, June 3. Japan's Communist-called "general strike" and Red-influenced student demonstrations fizzled out today more completely than last month's Red threat to Berlin.

As they did in the German capital, the Reds here refused to tackle police alerted specially today for any trouble. It was evident the labourers and students had been told not to start trouble and the police were not seeking it. Reports thus far received from throughout Japan indicate the Red call for a "general strike" drew as little response as it did in Tokyo. Not more than 3,000 workers met here to listen to the usual party line denunciations of "reactionaries" and "suppression." And a good half of those were apathetic or unimpressed.

Spontaneous "strike" and demonstrations declared bravely they would proceed as planned. The police replied by alerting 25,000 patrolmen and assigning another estimated 2,000 to a demonstration detail which was spotted around the Plaza and Hibiy Park. In some places, the police were three deep, a deployment which deeply interested several busy plainclothes Russian photographers.

The labour meeting, which opened and closed with the "Internationale," approved an open letter to General Douglas MacArthur demanding the release of the eight "patriots" who were found guilty of assaulting the five American soldiers. The letter, in brusque, almost impolite language and in a quasi-rebelling tone, repeated the Communists' demand of a quick "total" peace for Japan and withdrawal of occupation forces. By "total" peace, the Reds mean peace with Russia and Red China.—Associated Press.

ANOTHER CYCLIST KILLED

Mr. Bernardo Antonio Alonso, 26-year-old son of Dr. D. A. Alonso, 29 Hillwood Road, Kowloon, was killed in a motor-cycle accident in Tai Po Road yesterday evening.

The accident occurred when Mr. Alonso was on his way to Shatin, following another cyclist ridden by Mr. Silvio Netto. No one saw the accident occurred but it is believed that Mr. Alonso, while rounding a bend, lost control and crashed into the hillside. Report of the tragedy was brought back by Mr. Silvio Netto. The second motor-cycle tragedy in eight days. On Saturday week, at about 5.30 p.m., Mr. F. Eastman, 17-year-old son of Mr. A. C. Eastman, was killed when he was thrown from his cycle and struck by a truck in the Tai Po Road. Mr. Eastman was riding in a Down-Water Bay Road.

A British shipping official said yesterday that some companies are intentionally sending their ships to Shanghai with light drafts because the Yangtze river has been getting more and more clogged up with silt during the past 10 months.

Under ordinary circumstances, the Yangtze was regularly dredged about once a month.

This has not been done since the Nationalists evacuated that city.

No vessels were reported to be bound for Canton yesterday—yet two companies had intended to send river steamers to that city some time last week.

The principal reason for this is the unstable military situation in the Wan Shan Island group. Nationalist navy ships are still patrolling in the Pearl River area.

Capacity load

The Jardine Matheson steamer, Mausang, the first British ship of any size to enter Shanghai in more than six months, is bringing to Hong Kong a capacity load of miscellaneous cargo, according to a Chinese report reaching the Colony according to Reuters.

Bookings are said to have been made for a space on board the vessel by Chinese export firms for tung oil destined for the United States, tea consigned to the Philippines and silk and piecegoods and medicine. The vessel is due here tonight.

The freight of Butterfield and Swire's Tsinan on its return trip here is said to include 30 tons of duck feathers.

Most of these cargoes are reported to have been ready for shipment to Hong Kong via Tientsin when the People's Army's occupation of Chusan Islands caused a change in the plans.

Meanwhile, to lighten up the control of shipments of export cargo, the Foreign Trade Control Bureau in Shanghai has discontinued issuing permits for exports to "unregistered" firms and from June 1, according to Chinese merchants in Hong Kong.

In an official announcement the Chinese trade authorities in Shanghai said that letters of credit or telegrams from firms in foreign countries will not be accepted as justification for granting export shipment permits if the merchant or firm making the application is not registered with the Trade Control Bureau.

Enthusiasm

Exporters in Shanghai greeted with great enthusiasm news that the British ships Mausang and Tsinan had sailed from Hong Kong for the Northern port, and the booking agents were besieged with inquiries for space on the return voyage, according to a Shanghai report, reports United Press.

Meanwhile, Reuters adds that another 100 foreigners have been granted exit visas by the Chinese authorities in Shanghai, according to informants here. This brings the list to nearly 500 who were given permits in the past month.

The latest list is made up of people of 15 nationalities with European and Continental predominance. With all shipping companies again accepting passenger bookings, news of the foreign exit visas in Shanghai will await long transportation and waiting to get out by a direct route from the city, instead of travelling overland to Tientsin. Meanwhile, the police authorities in Shanghai are reported to have set a limit of two months

on the validity of exit visas, probably to reduce the number of foreigners applying for a permit not for the purpose of leaving but just to have one handy.

When the visa expires the holder must make fresh application and pay a fee for the second time if he still desires a permit, according to these informants.

Quick thinking by the officers of the Danish ship, ss. Heinrich Jessen, which arrived here yesterday morning saved that ship from capture by a Nationalist warship on the night of May 31.

With 249 passengers on board—including 27 British subjects and American citizens—the Heinrich Jessen was bound for Hong Kong from Tientsin when it was ordered to stop by a Nationalist patrol vessel late at night.

The Heinrich Jessen's wireless operator sent an official message to the warship stating that the Heinrich Jessen was going to Hong Kong from Tientsin, Korea. The warship queried the ship's last port of entry.

The Nationalist ship cruised around the vessel three times, flashing a powerful night searchlight on the Jessen before giving that ship permission to proceed. Among the 249 passengers were 123 International Refugee Organization charges, who were due to leave Hong Kong for Israel by air yesterday.

Though 70 IRO refugees left, 53 more were returned to the Jessen late yesterday when a second chartered plane had mechanical trouble.

Return trip

The 53 remaining passengers are due to leave for Israel at 9.15 this morning from Kai Tak.

Passengers doubled up on the trip from Tientsin, most sleeping in the hatches and providing their own bedding.

The Jessen, which had already completed two IRO missions to Tientsin before the present voyage, will return to Tientsin within the week for another group.

It was estimated yesterday that at least 400 more Jewish people, now living in Harbin, intend to emigrate to Palestine under the auspices of the IRO.

The American and British passengers all travelled to Tientsin by train from the People's Army. They agreed that with very few exceptions, the Shanghai Communists intend to keep their word and allow all foreigners who wish to leave Shanghai to do so.

The 53 refugees due to leave by air for Palestine this morning, spent last night on the Jessen.

BEVIN UNDERGOES SECOND OPERATION

London, June 3.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, came through his second surgical operation in two months today in satisfactory condition, the Foreign Office said.

A formal announcement said the 60-year-old British Minister had an operation at London Clinic for abscessed condition of the rectal passage. In April, he was operated on for piles at another London hospital. Bevin, long suffering from heart trouble and asthma, may be away from his Foreign Office desk for several weeks. Bevin's falling health has caused a great deal of concern during the past two weeks, with some people fearing he might be unable to handle his difficult job as a statesman. Associated Press.

UNHORSED



The first full rehearsal of the Trooping the Colour ceremony took place recently on the Horse Guards Parade. The spectacle proved a fine attraction for thousands of Londoners enjoying their Whit Monday Bank Holiday. Photo shows the rehearsal of the Trooping the Colour ceremony, not going according to plan for a Guards Colonel who was unhorsed. The officer is seen getting to his feet while another officer calms his rearing charger. In right foreground are Guards recruits who attended the parade to see how things should be done.—(A.P. photo).

Five killed in Shaukiwan landslide

Two men and three women were killed and eight others were seriously injured when more than 10 tons of earth and rocks fell on them at a quarry on the hillside above Shing On Street in Shaukiwan yesterday morning.

The victims were all working at the Hong Kong Quarry Company's quarry at the time when the mass of dirt and rocks collapsed, burying them alive.

The landslide occurred at 8.30 a.m. while about 27 workers, including a number of women, were operating a stone-crushing machine.

Police, fire engines, ambulances and rescue workers were rushed to the scene and the injured were immediately taken to the Queen Mary Hospital. Rescue workers including members of the Police Force and Fire Brigade began the immediate task of digging out those who were buried.

By 11 a.m. all those who were buried were dug out. The place where the avalanche took place was almost a sheer cliff, several hundred feet above sea-level. One half of the hill had been blasted away.

Vibration

It was believed that the cause of the disaster was due to the recent rains coupled with the vibrations of the machinery which caused the loosening of the earth.

Those who were killed were: Poon Sam (woman), aged 44, residing at an unnumbered hut in Shing On Street; Poon Yee (woman), aged 27, unnumbered hut Shing On Street; Ling Tai (woman), aged 28, hut No. 75 Shing On Street; Chan Yuk-kwan, aged 28, Shing On Street; and Ngai Yuet, aged 45, Hong Kong Quarry Company.

The injured, all living in huts around the vicinity, were Yeung Shun, 46-year-old woman; Leung Shun, 28-year-old woman; Cheung Yau, 40-year-old woman; Lo Shung, 38-year-old woman; Li Shek-tai, 43-year-old woman; Li Yiu-tung, aged 34, Man Chung-kin, aged 28; and Chau Shing-wah, aged 42. The landslide, about 300 yards from the scene of the landslide, was under the Public Works Department, began their first efforts to blast the big rock which hangs like the Sword of Damocles over the quarry's colony above Shaukiwan Bay. The rock, which is estimated to weigh about 40 tons, is situated on a steep slope on the hillside above the quarry, and is about 300 yards from the main road.

NEW BRITISH PROPOSAL ON SCHUMAN PLAN

London, June 3.

Britain last night put forward a new proposal which revived the flagging hopes that she would after all, take part in the six-power talks on the Schuman plan for the pooling of European coal and steel resources.

The proposal—dramatic climax to 48 hours of hectic cable and telephone exchanges between London and Paris—was made to the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, by the British Ambassador, Sir Oliver Harvey, at a meeting lasting more than two hours.

At the same time, Sir Oliver handed M. Schuman Britain's reply to the latest French proposal, setting out a basis for the opening of discussions on the plan.

According to a usually reliable source, the reply said Britain could not accept the French proposals in their present form.

The fundamental issue is whether Britain will commit herself—with other powers taking part in the negotiations—to a declaration accepting the objectives of the plan as outlined in the original Schuman proposal.

Lights burned late at the Foreign Office here last night as Britain's Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Kenneth Younger, presided over a full scale meeting of officers to discuss Britain's position.

Earlier yesterday, Mr. Younger had seen his chief, Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin, in a bedside conference at the hospital where Mr. Bevin is to undergo a second operation today.

After the midnight meeting a Foreign Office spokesman said: "We have received a report of the conversation held tonight between M. Schuman and Sir Oliver Harvey."

"We have considered this report, and have seen to our own satisfaction that our own observations which will be communicated to the French Government on Saturday morning."

Paris decision

In Paris, the French Government announced at noon today that with Italy, Western Germany and the Benelux countries, it had agreed to begin negotiations for pooling coal and steel resources and setting up a common high authority with full powers to direct the pool.

The communique added that the French Government would send out invitations very shortly for the respective Governments to attend the opening of the negotiations.

A second communique issued in the name of the French Government only explained that special arrangements had been made with the British Government to keep the British fully informed day to day of the developments of the coal and steel talks.

Government spokesmen described this as a historic day for Europe. It was the first time in history that six independent nations had agreed to meet and to pool part of their national sovereignty.

It was not surprising observers here said that there was still some hesitation in Britain. The experience of the occupation on the continent had no doubt prepared the continental nations to a greater extent for the need of real unity. French high officials were convinced that in due course Britain would associate herself with this effort.—Reuter.

Police for Germany

Meanwhile, the Big Three Western Powers have agreed to permit West Germany to create an armed police force about one-tenth the size of the Soviet Zone militarised "People's Police," informed sources said today, according to United Press.

These sources said the Western force would number about 5,000 men—as compared with the 50,000 members of the "alert units" of the Soviet Zone—and would be equipped with light arms including automatic weapons.

But Western officials emphasised it was not an attempt to match the Soviet Zone police which the West has declared to be in fact an embryonic army equipped with tanks and rapid fire weapons.

These officials said the creation of the Western force would not be a "reply" to the Soviet action in the East and that its chief objective would be to bolster the prestige of the government of West Germany Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and give it an instrument to help maintain domestic order.—Reuter and United Press.

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BUILDING COSTS IN HK DROP CONSIDERABLY

Building costs in Hong Kong have dropped considerably when compared to the situation 12 months ago. Despite this, however, the tempo of building much needed housing accommodation has remained steady.

In April, the Public Works Department approved 645 plans for new residential buildings, European and Chinese type, factories, temporary sheds, site formations, for repairs and rehabilitation, alterations and additions, and for demolitions.

Included in the plans were 49 European-type houses and 35 Chinese-type dwellings. In the same month, 587 plans were submitted to the PWD for approval.

Private construction enterprises estimate that the unit cost for building big blocks of apartments have dropped to as low as HK\$1.00 a cubic foot (from HK\$2 to HK\$2.25 for small buildings) as compared with HK\$2.50 a year ago.

The reduction in costs is attributed to increased supply of labour and lower costs of building materials.

According to an analysis in the "Far Eastern Economic Review" ample evidence exists of the intention to build more dwellings. The annual report for 1949/50 of the Land Office of the Registrar General indicates that the value of the leases assigned in 1948/9 had risen to \$165,597,000 from the total of \$143,640,294 in 1947/8.

Mortgages double

In the case of registered mortgages these were about double in amount, as compared with the previous year, at a figure of \$115,410.

The sum total of these transactions at the Land Office amounted to \$253,562,303, or \$31,116,851 more than during 1948/9 and the volume of increase for registered transactions during 1948/50 is expected to be 25 per cent higher.

It is relevant to add that the fees collected by the Land Office during the latter year are 50 per cent higher at a total of \$220,833, as compared with the record figure for 1948/9.

Statistics compiled by the Commissioner of Rating and Valuation show that, during the first quarter of 1950, some 187 houses and flats were finished, involving a capital outlay of HK\$10,500,000.

Estimates, given with all reserve, would put the population of the Colony of Hong Kong at close on 2,500,000 and the number of houses between 20,000 and 30,000. In most houses several families are normally accommodated in separate units.

On the assumption of a static population, which a change in the Chinese political situation might soon falsify, the high average of occupants to a building, suggests a housing shortage of astronomical proportions, quite apart from the number of existing buildings requiring demolition or replacement, adds the "Review."

Land requisitions

The available area of land suitable for long term development is relatively small, although in the New Territories there is security of tenure until the latter part of the century.

A factor which has undoubtedly influenced the recent slow tempo in new building has been the uncertainty arising from the requisitioning of newly completed housing, states the "Review's" analysis.

Government policy is now to approve no new requisitioning. There still remains the high cost of acquiring land. In broad terms this is about 12 times as high as in the United Kingdom, as much

on account of the scarcity of suitable unoccupied areas, as the abnormal legal conditions ruling at present.

The Hong Kong Government are well aware of the deterrent effect of these high costs and concessional terms are, in fact, made for leases of land for housing projects.

The brake on new building is therefore often attributable to psychological factors, of which the uncertain trend of population is certainly one.

The influx of the past few years may, for instance have provided conditions, which are temporary. But, it seems scarcely credible that any considerable alleviation of the congestion in living accommodation will occur for a long time.

Labour demand

Another recent difficulty has undoubtedly been the heavy demand for skilled labour but, today the unorganised labour force totals 8,437 or 5.8 per cent of the total registered labour force in the Colony.

There has been a considerable dilution of unskilled labour and the man power position is now considered satisfactory. Finally it is not normally an easy matter to obtain the necessary finance for certain types of building.

Private building enterprises, nevertheless, bearing in mind the more favourable prospects of the building industry as a whole have been considering the economies of building activity on a greater scale.

One calculation made with an eye to increasing activity is that at the present time all-in costs in building a block of five roomed flats are estimated at a unit cost of between \$50,000 to \$100,000 a flat. A flat of this type, which is designed primarily to meet local climate conditions could be rented at a monthly rate of between \$1,000 and \$1,500 (exclusive of rates).

On the assumption of a sinking fund at 2 1/2 per cent over 10-15 years, the building would begin to be profitable midway before it passes its useful life, or indeed at the stage when the present abnormally high rents are declining.

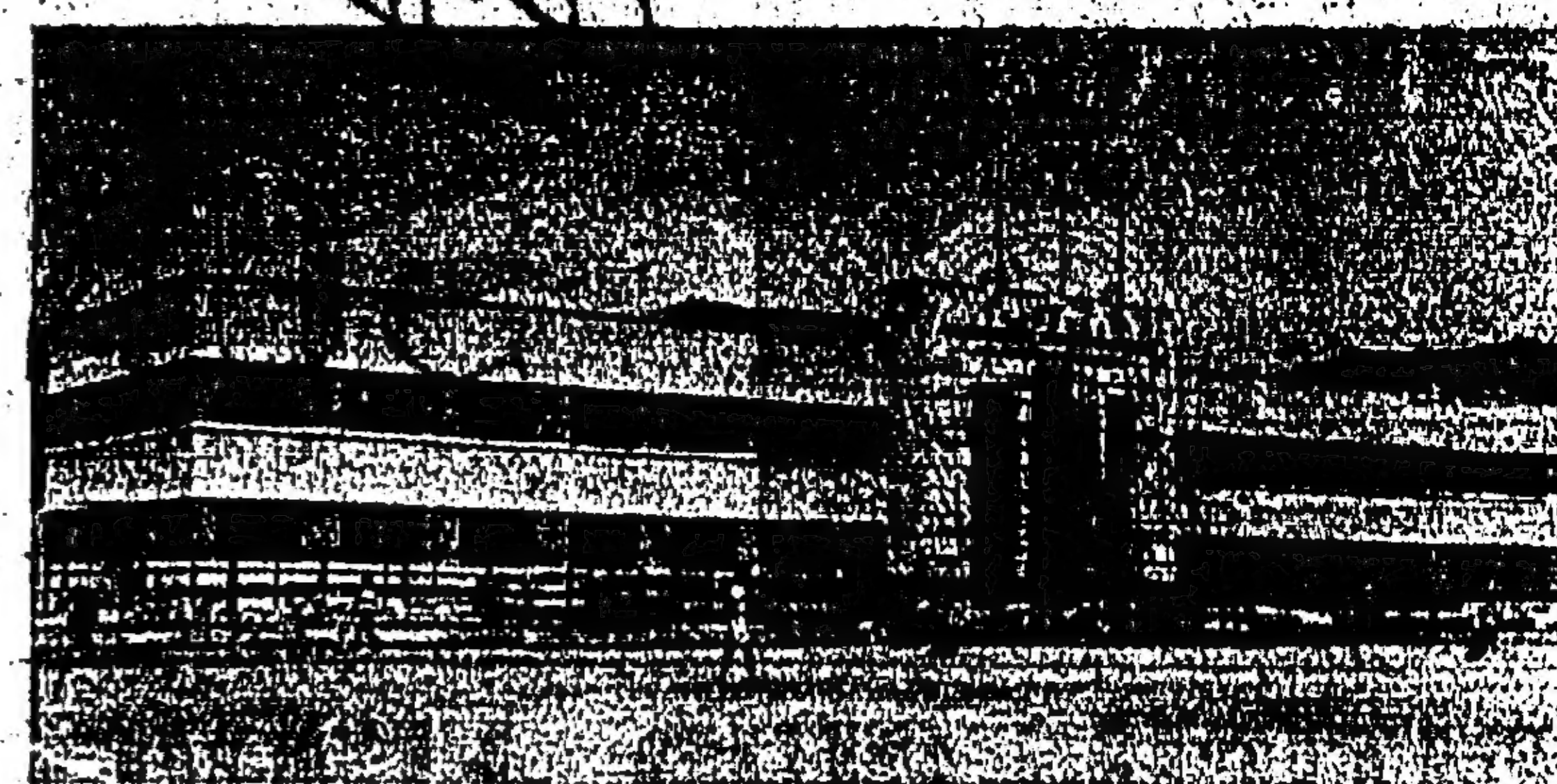
This calculation presupposes an interest return on capital of eight to 10 per cent and an allowance of 10 to 12 1/2 per cent for outgoings. A downward adjustment to the rent and therefore, of the overall cost to the occupant would, of course, be possible if the tenant made an initial contribution towards the capital cost of the building.

AERIAL WITNESS OF CAR CRASH

Wellington, June 2.

For the first time in history, an airborne eye-witness testified today at the inquest into a fatal car accident.

Squadron Leader Alfred Harding said his plane was coming down for a landing at Wigram airfield when he saw a car and a truck collide head-on, killing the car driver. Harding said he radioed the control tower and an ambulance was on the way to the crash scene before his plane landed.—United Press.



Additional recreation amenities have been provided for residents and their children in the Eastern District. The War Memorial, Welfare and Recreation Centre has been completed at the Southern Playground, Wanchai. It will be officially opened by the Governor at 6 p.m. tomorrow. ("China Mail" Photo).

Welfare centre to be opened tomorrow

When the War Memorial Welfare Centre on the Southern Playground, Wanchai, is officially opened tomorrow, Hong Kong will have, for the first time in its history, a common home for its various welfare services. The new building will house the administrative offices of five welfare organisations. They are the Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association, the Family Welfare Society, the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children, the Children's Playground Association, and the Wanchai District Welfare Association.

In addition, there will be club-rooms, lecture-rooms, libraries, recreational centres, as well as a basketball court.

The Centre, built at a cost of approximately HK\$300,000, is a two-storey structure, well ventilated, with the lay-out specially designed for the purpose to which it is being put.

Chief beneficiary

The Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association will be the chief beneficiary, for in addition to having its administrative offices with store-room attached, which are on the ground floor, it will also have a lecture room and library, a recreation room with two ping-pong tables, and two bath-rooms, one for boys and one for girls, all on the ground floor, while on the first floor four rooms, two for boys and two for girls, have been set aside for the Association.

The bath-rooms will have both hot water and cold water laid on. The administration offices of the other four organisations will be on the first floor, where the supervisor of the Centre will also have his office and living quarters. There is also a conference room attached.

On the ground floor there is a dining room, attached to the kitchen. There is also a bath-room set aside for the Society for the Protection of Children, where mothers and children may have a bath when needed.

The amenities provided by the new Centre will be the best so far available in the Colony for an institution of its kind. Though the building itself is completed, the grounds outside have yet to be laid. Work is still proceeding on the basketball court, and adjoining it a lawn is being laid out for people to relax at their leisure. It is also planned to plant trees around the Centre.

Index of banknote circulation

The index of banknotes circulated in Hong Kong dropped from 119 in March to 118 in April, according to official statistics.

Total value of banknotes in circulation in April was HK\$800,799,859 as compared with HK\$802,502,471 in March.

Main reductions were in the notes of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China and the Mercantile Bank of India Limited.

Total Chartered Bank notes in circulation in April was HK\$43,547,099 as compared with HK\$45,170,711 in March.

Mercantile Bank notes in circulation in the month under review totalled HK\$3,875,990 as compared with HK\$3,945,990 in March.

Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation bank notes totalled HK\$733,376,770 in February, March and April.

LOCAL ESTATES

Local estate valued at \$58,700 was left by Dhanjiahw Faldrij Jochi, businessman, late of 11 Duddell Street, second floor, who died on August 22, 1949, at St. Francis Hospital.

An application by S. F. Jochi, merchant, lawful attorney for letters of administration with the will annexed of the deceased has been granted by the Supreme Court, Probate Registry.

Harry Hodge Scott, engineer, formerly of Dundee, and of Hong Kong and late of Vancouver, New South Wales, who died on July 31, 1949, at his late residence valued at \$1,700 was left by his wife, Mrs. Hodge Scott, who died on August 22, 1949, at St. Francis Hospital.

Two "Men" ships change flags

Two aluminium vessels, the Hu Men and the Yu Men, previously owned by the Ming Sung Industrial Company, were entered in the Canadian Registry of Shipping yesterday, as the property of the Ming Sung Company of Canada, Limited, and as Canadian vessels will hereafter fly the Canadian flag.

The transfer of five other aluminium vessels owned by the Ming Sung Industrial Company, the Yen Men, Shih Men, Lung Men, Chih Men and Chien Men, is expected to be completed within the next week, it was learned.

A ceremony for the changing of flags will then be held.

A statement issued yesterday by Mr. Kenneth Noble, Canadian Government Trade Commissioner in Hong Kong, said:

"The ships Hu Men and Yu Men, previously owned by the Ming Sung Industrial Company, have today been entered in the Canadian Registry of Shipping as the property of the Ming Sung Company of Canada, Limited, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of the parent company and as Canadian vessels will hereafter fly the Canadian flag."

"The transfer is the outcome of a lengthy negotiation between the Canadian Government, a group of Canadian banks and the Ming Sung Industrial Company, which traces back to the original building of these popular 'Men' ships in Canada with funds advanced largely by Canadian banks. With the vessels under Canadian flag mortgages have been registered against the vessels now owned by the Ming Sung Company of Canada, Limited, to protect the banks' investment."

"Moreover, Canadian registration and the flying of the Canadian flag will give a degree of protection to these vessels while operating in international waters and as such will be a safeguard in the interest of the mortgages."

Similarity of names

"In view of the similarity of the names of the Ming Sung Company and its wholly owned subsidiary the Ming Sung Company of Canada, Limited, Montreal, and of the company incorporated in Hong Kong as the Ming Sung Industrial Company (Hong Kong) Limited, it should be noted that this latter company has no connection with the Canadian firm."

"The Hong Kong Incorporation is exclusively an operating charterer of vessels from the Ming Sung Industrial Company which will, in future, be able through that same organisation to charter similarly and operate the Canadian registered 'Men' vessels as long as these continue in Hong Kong."

The Ming Sung Industrial Company agreed to have nine aluminium vessels all built in Canada.

Seven of the vessels are in Hong Kong while two others, the Kwai Men and the Chin Men are at present in Chungking.

The Hu Men, Yu Men, and Yen Men are sister vessels of 3,000-tons each.

They are powered by 5,000 h.p. engines and are capable of accommodating 38 first class passengers, 30 second class passengers and 160 third class passengers.

Other aluminium vessels owned by the Company are of 800 tons each.

Construction of the majority of the vessels was completed last year.

Except for the Kwai Men and the Chin Men, these vessels have alternately been on regular runs between Hong Kong and Macao.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

CAR SCRATCHING

"Sir—In a letter signed by 'Old Resident' he suggested that because his car was scratched all public places of entertainment should be out of bounds for troops. What connection there is between the damage to his car and the troops he does not explain."

However, for his suggestion that our troops be given C.B. I trust sincerely that his car is subject to further scratches and that he himself scratches in several places. Does he realise that if this small army were removed and Hong Kong became Communist, he would have no car, nor house, nor livelihood, but plenty of scratches and rebuffs.

Yours, etc.,

EX-SERVICEMAN.

BEACH INCIDENT

"Sir—'Free French' I know power of observation in bringing to the public's notice his report on a 'beach incident' dated Sunday, May 28, and the prowess he was able to show, in segregating a mere band of numbers present, and labelling them as English soldiers, amusing themselves. We feel sure is worthy of commendation."

While not wishing to minimise the 'incident', and the serious consequences that could have followed, we feel a great injustice has been meted out to the British troops in Hong Kong, whose presence here is the public's notice through the Press and otherwise, they are low and far between.

"Would not the text of 'Free French' letter have been more in the public interest if he had confined himself to stressing the necessity of all people who use these light cars being able to swim?"

Yours faithfully,

FOUR EX-CAMPAIGNERS.

"Sir—I also was an eye-witness of what 'Free French', with true Gallie intensity, described as a 'little drama'. It so happened that the depth of the water where the boat overturned did not exceed three feet. It is true that the soldiers were tugging at the boat, but probably they wouldn't have decided to overturn it at all, if one of these young ladies hadn't started belabouring them with an oar."

"It is a little surprising that 'Free French', with true French chivalry didn't remonstrate with the soldiers. I suggest that 'Free French' use his imagination less, or perhaps a visit to an eye-specialist might help. It is also true that if troops do misbehave in the Colony it is the price the residents must pay for an over-sized garrison."

Yours faithfully,

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RICE RATION

The Rice Controller announced yesterday that during the rationing period from June 5 to 10 inclusive in addition to 'A' Super broken rice, 'B' Super broken rice, 'C' Super broken rice, 'D' Super broken rice, 'E' Super broken rice, 'F' Super broken rice, 'G' Super broken rice, 'H' Super broken rice, 'I' Super broken rice, 'J' Super broken rice, 'K' Super broken rice, 'L' Super broken rice, 'M' Super broken rice, 'N' Super broken rice, 'O' Super broken rice, 'P' Super broken rice, 'Q' Super broken rice, 'R' Super broken rice, 'S' Super broken rice, 'T' Super broken rice, 'U' Super broken rice, 'V' Super broken rice, 'W' Super broken rice, 'X' Super broken rice, 'Y' Super broken rice, 'Z' Super broken rice, 'AA' Super broken rice, 'AB' Super broken rice, 'AC' Super broken rice, 'AD' Super broken rice, 'AE' Super broken rice, 'AF' Super broken rice, 'AG' Super broken rice, 'AH' Super broken rice, 'AI' Super broken rice, 'AJ' Super broken rice, 'AK' Super broken rice, 'AL' Super broken 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Troop movements noted in South East China

Reminders

Today

Tue. H. classical concert, 30, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, film show, 8 p.m.
HK Art Club, sketching party to Stanley, members to meet at Queen's Pier, 10.30 a.m.
European YMCA, Armchair Group meeting, talk on "Greek Theatre" by Mr. Brodgen, 8.45 p.m.
Band Concert at New Botanical Gardens, 3 to 5 p.m.
Annual Inspection of St. John's Ambulance Brigade, by the Governor, Caroline Hill, 10 a.m.
Bible Correspondence School Rally, Alhambra Theatre, 10.45 a.m.

Coming events

TOMORROW

British Council sponsored lecture on "The Art of Wood Engraving" by Mr. A.C. Scott, Council Library, 5.30 p.m.
Official opening of the War Memorial Welfare and Recreational Centre, by the Governor, at Southern Play-ground, Wanchai, 5 p.m.
Union Jack Club, Tombola, 7.30 p.m.
Whist Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

HK Dental Society, clinical meeting, HK University, Anatomy Lecture Room, 6.30 p.m.
HK Rotary Club luncheon, Roo Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Urban Council meeting at GPO Bldg., 4.15 p.m.
Cheero Services Club, Whist Drive, 8 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, whist drive, 8 p.m.
Union Jack Club, dancing class, 8.30 p.m.
Bridges Drive, European YMCA, 8.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Tue. H. meeting, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Women's Section, European YMCA, whist morning, 10 a.m.
Union Jack Club, whist drive, 7.30 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, dancing class, 7 p.m.

U.S. "Veep" to sponsor ship launching

Mrs. Alben W. Barkley, wife of the Vice-President of the United States, will sponsor the launching of the ss. President Jackson, first of American President Lines three new round-the-world luxury liners, it was announced yesterday in Hong Kong.

The President—Jackson—will slide down the ways at the New York Shipbuilding Corporation yards at Camden, N.J., at 12.21 p.m. (Eastern daylight time), on June 27. Two sister ships, the President Adams and President Hayes will follow at two month intervals.

The President Jackson will accommodate 204 first class passengers and 5,000 tons of cargo. She will be delivered on December 16, this year, and will start her maiden voyage from New York on January 5, 1951.

Sterling accounts drawing restrictions

Certain restrictions—the details of which were not disclosed—on drawing on Sterling accounts in Hong Kong and in the United Kingdom have been imposed by Government.

The restrictions, said an official statement, are being introduced to tighten the working of the present control of transfers of Sterling to and from Hong Kong.

It added that it is not Government's intention to interfere with transactions directly relating to the financing of the trade of the Colony or with payments made by local residents from their Sterling accounts for their normal personal requirements.

The official statement said: "The Government has been advised that certain changes have been made, with immediate effect, in the status of Sterling current accounts maintained by Hong Kong residents in the United Kingdom."

"The main effect of these new regulations will be to restrict drawing on Sterling accounts both in Hong Kong and in the United Kingdom, while credit may continue to be made without formally."

Payments from these accounts under instructions given before

Extensive troop movements in the direction of the South East China coast are in progress, according to unconfirmed reports received by the "Sunday Herald" yesterday.

The official closure of the port of Swatow to all shipping by the Kwangtung Provincial Shipping Bureau at Canton is said to be connected with the military movements in that area.

The closure of the port was officially announced in Canton on Friday and published in yesterday's vernacular "Ta Kung Pao."

The official reason for the measure was said to be the recent explosion which resulted in the sinking of the ss. Ebonal off Swatow. The port will remain closed until the explosion has been fully investigated, said the official statement published in the "Ta Kung Pao."

Independent Chinese observers in Hong Kong said last night that it has not yet been confirmed that the sinking of the vessel was due to a mine laid by Nationalist blockade gunboats.

They added that the owners of the vessel had received a report that the vessel might have struck an uncharted reef causing an explosion in the engine room.

They added that the closure is most probably due to the troop movements which the Chinese authorities on the mainland are trying to keep secret.

Pickpockets sentenced at Kowloon

Sentences ranging from three months' to 12 months' hard labour were imposed on six pickpockets by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday.

Leung Cheung, aged 50, of Kowloon, who had four previous convictions for larceny, received 12 months when he pleaded guilty to extracting \$20 from a woman at the Yau Ma Tei Market on Friday afternoon.

Leung Cheung, aged 19, got nine months for the larceny of a fountain pen from a passer-by in Nathan Road on Thursday.

Nine months was also the sentence meted out to Ip See, aged 21, for the theft of a fountain pen from the pocket of a Y. Y. Chan at a bus stop in Nathan Road on Thursday afternoon.

Yu Wah, aged 26, also received nine months for stealing a pen and pencil set from a bus passenger at the corner of Nathan Road and Nelson Street on Thursday.

For the larceny of a \$1 note from the pocket of a man, who was carrying a bag of rice on his shoulder at the time in Yu Chow Street on Friday, Yuen Shek, aged 20, was sentenced to nine months.

Seventeen-year-old Lee Man-sung was sent to prison for three months for the larceny of a pen and pencil set from Lau Hung-chung in Lanchuk Road on May 27.

All defendants, who were prosecuted by Inspector J. Orem and Sub-Inspector W. Jones, were recommended for deportation by the Magistrate.

REVIVAL OF ASSOCIATION

A general meeting to discuss the revival of the former Hong Kong Rifle Association will be held at 5.45 p.m. tomorrow at the Hong Kong Defence Force Drill Shed, Murray Parade Ground.

The meeting will be opened by Brigadier B. A. Coad, DSO. Those interested have been requested to make an effort to attend the discussions.

The main objects of the Association will be as follows:

(a) Encouragement of Small Arms shooting throughout the Colony by providing facilities for regular practice, for all classes of shots, both Services and civilians, men and women.

(b) The selection of teams to represent the Colony in all inter-Colonial and other events.

(c) The encouragement of Inter-Services competition and individual achievements; and

(d) To provide club amenities for all those interested.

Taiwan invasion?

The observers recalled an event recently which demonstrated how intense the Chinese military authorities are in preventing information on troop movements being disclosed.

They said that all copies of a recent issue of the pro-Peking Government vernacular "Ta Kung Pao" (published in Hong Kong) were confiscated in Canton because it included news of troop movements from Hainan Island to Canton.

They said that the military activity on the South East China coast is connected with preparations for the invasion of the Nationalist-held island of Taiwan.

Some are of the opinion that the invasion will be launched within the next month, others that it will not take place until early next year at the latest or before November at the earliest.

Assault exercises in Shantung

Large-scale amphibious assault exercises are being carried out along the Shantung coast, according to an unconfirmed report in the independent vernacular "Wah Kiu Yat Po" yesterday.

The newspaper said that the Chinese Communists are constructing special craft for amphibious operations. Personnel are being trained by Soviet instructors, it added.

Troops get a cool reception

Rome, June 2. Fifteen thousand Italian troops of Italy's new treaty-controlled army today paraded through the ruined forums of ancient Rome to celebrate the fourth anniversary of the Italian Republic.

Isolated whistles and catcalls from fascists in the great crowd greeted a detachment of partisans, taking part for the first time in a military parade of this nature in Rome.

Slightly more frequent whistles, and a noticeable absence of applause, accompanied the progress of a body of jeep-borne police "shock" squads.

The President of the Republic was flanked on the saluting base by the Prime Minister, Signor Alcide de Gasperi and his Cabinet.

Similar parades took place in 10 regional Italian capitals. It was the biggest display of armed strength that an Italian Government has been able to stage since the war.

Simultaneously, the Italian Communist Party, who now claim to have 2,600,000 members, called mass meetings throughout the country to demand peace and the abolition of the atom bomb.

Reuter.

DARING VOYAGE

New York, June 2. The two-man crew of the British yacht "Vedette" brought their small craft into New York Harbour tonight, ending a voyage that began at Weymouth, England, on April 11.

The sailors, a yacht designer and a former Government official, were exhausted after their long voyage.

The yacht encountered storms at sea last Sunday and suffered some damage but they managed to continue unaided—Reuter.

FOO HANG JEWELLERY

WHOLESALE OF DIAMONDS

King's Theatre Bldg., 7th Floor, Hong Kong.

Tel. 20028. Cable Address: "FOO HANG"



Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Quinn, who were married at Rosary Church, Kowloon, yesterday. The bride is the former Miss Yolanda Socorro Franco. ("China Mail" Photo).

Wedding Franco-Quinn

Miss Yolanda Socorro Franco, daughter of the late Mr. L. H. Franco and Mrs. G. A. Cruz, was married to Charles Maria Quinn at Rosary Church, Kowloon, yesterday.

The bridegroom is the son of the late Mr. T. S. Quinn and Mrs. Quinn.

The Reverend Father H. de Angelis officiated.

The bride was given away by her step-father, Mr. G. A. Cruz. She wore a gown in nylon Marquise with lace insertion and a tight-fitting bodice with hooked skirt. She wore a finger-tip veil with applique lace border.

She carried a posy of roses and jasmine.

Miss Anna Franco, the bride's sister, was bridesmaid. She wore a pink nylon Marquise gown, carried a posy of pink carnations.

The duties of best men were discharged by Mr. A. E. Xavier and Mr. J. G. da Luz. The page-boy was Master Antonio Xavier.

The reception was later held at the Club de Recreio.

The couple will spend their honeymoon at Macao. The bride's going-away dress was an old rose two-piece costume with a corsage of white gardenias.

Karrim—Talip

Miss Khalila Begum Karrim was married to Mr. Osman bin Talip in full Muslim religious rites yesterday.

The bride, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abdul Karrim, of the Waterworks Department, looked lovely in her native pink-coloured sari with gold borders. She carried a bouquet of alum lilies.

She was attended by her sister, Miss Jaya Karrim, as bridesmaid. The bridegroom is the grandson of Mrs. Amina Talip, one of the oldest members of the Hong Kong Muslim community.

Mr. Talip is well-known in local newspaper circles, having been in newspaper work for the past 10 years. He is now a news editor with the United Press, Hong Kong Bureau, which firm he joined on its resumption of service after the war.

After the religious ceremony, which was held at the residence of the bride's parents, No. 440 Nathan Road, a dinner reception was given later in the evening at No. 9 King's Terrace. The toast to the newlyweds was proposed by Mr. Vio-Kendrick, manager of the United Press.

The happy couple are spending their honeymoon at the Dragon Inn.

The duties of bestmen were discharged by Mr. R. M. Azim and Mr. R. A. Bux.

INFORMAL TALK BY EDITOR

"We Live To Eat" will be the title of an informal address to be given by Mr. L. Z. Yuan, editor of the "Hong Kong Standard" on Tuesday, at 8 p.m., at the YMCA's Duddell Street Centre.

Mr. Yuan is familiar to China audiences as a former Shanghai journalist, who wrote "Through A Moon Gate", a book compiled from his daily newspaper column on Chinese life.

His humorous and realistic writing has helped many foreigners to understand better the Chinese people.

Admission for non-members will be the usual HK\$1.

HK trade delegations

The Hong Kong Chinese Manufacturers' Union has decided to send three separate industrial delegations abroad to promote trade.

One delegation will visit Japan, thence travel to Burma, India, Pakistan and Ceylon; and one to Japan, thence to Singapore and Indonesia.

The third will visit the Philippines.

Registration of manufacturers who wish to be represented on these delegations opened yesterday at the Union's headquarters.

Bishop to preach at St. Andrews

The Right Reverend John Curtis DD., first consecrated Bishop of the Anglican Church in China, who is en route to his home in Ireland for retirement, will preach at St. Andrew's Church at 11 a.m. today.

The Bishop, who arrived recently in the Colony from the North, is 70 years of age. He is retiring after 41 years as a China missionary. His wife is a missionary-doctor, and has been in service for almost as long as he.

The Bishop came to Fukien in 1909 with the Dublin University mission after a short curateship at Christ Church, Dublin. In 1914, he married Miss Eda S. Bryan-Brown at Hangehoh. He was consecrated Bishop of Chekiang in 1928.

The programme will include "Trial by Jury" and HMS-Pinafore by Gilbert and Sullivan. Performance by the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company, with orchestra conducted by Isidore Godfrey.

TOC H CONCERT

A concert of recorded music will be presented at Talbot House (To H) 30, Macdonnell Road, Hong Kong, at 8.30 p.m. today.

The programme will include "Trial by Jury" and HMS-Pinafore by Gilbert and Sullivan. Performance by the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company, with orchestra conducted by Isidore Godfrey.

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Fire alarms installed in Eastern area

Nineteen ATM non-interfering type of fire alarms have been installed throughout the Eastern District.

The alarms, erected in different neighbourhoods, provide the most direct and effective method of calling the Fire Brigade.

In the event of a fire, the glass covering should be broken and the handle behind pulled and released. The pulling and release of the handle automatically sets off an alarm at the nearest Fire Station and also indicates in which neighbourhood the alarm has occurred.

The fire alarms in the Eastern District are in the following areas:

Hennessy Road at Fenwick Street; Hennessy Road at Heard Street; Yee Wo Street at Pennington Street; Queen's Road East at Ship Street; Queen's Road East at Tai Yuen Street; Johnston Road at Stone Nullah Lane; Shan Kwong Road at Yuk Sau Street; Wongneichong Road at Broadwood Road; Leighton Hill Road at Matheson Street; Tung Lo Wan Road at Wai Sha Street; Electric Road at Ting Fung Street; King's Road at North Point Road; Marble Road at Kam Hong Street; Shaokwan Main Street West at Holy Cross Path; Shaokwan Main Street East at Kam Wah Street; Blue Pool Road at J. L. 4093; Tai Hang Road at South end of Fuk Kwan Avenue; Morrison Hill Road at Sports Road; and Stubbs Road at Wanchai Gap.

Milk output increased

Increases in the production of fresh milk, cement, electricity and in the manufacture and distribution of gas were recorded in April, according to official statistics.

A total of 72,599 gallons of fresh milk were produced as compared with the monthly average of 63,067 gallons in 1949, 42,987 in 1948 and 32,544 in 1947.

April's production of cement totalled 6,622 metric tons. The monthly average in 1947, 1948 and 1949 were 2,652, 4,435 and 4,389 metric tons, respectively.

Production of electricity in April was 23,041,458 kilowatt hours as compared with the monthly average kilowatt hours of 7,587,303.55 in 1947, 12,525,000.25 in 1948, and 18,138,733 in 1949.

The manufacture and distribution of gas in April totalled 40,018,700 cubic feet. The monthly average in 1940 was 32,775,633 cubic feet, and in 1948 and 1949 it was 22,935,708 and 18,301,259 cubic feet, respectively.

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Mines reported off Swatow; 20 killed

Mines believed to have been laid by Nationalist planes off Swatow caused the death of 20 persons during the last week in May, according to reports reaching here yesterday.

The Communist authorities in Swatow have warned all vessels to keep away from the area until further notice, the reports said.

Rain main feature in May

Rain was the dominant feature of May, stated the monthly report of the Royal Observatory.

There were only six days completely free from rain and the total fall, 105 mm above normal, brought the amount for the year up to well above the average.

The heaviest fall was on May 20 when 101.5 mm were recorded, 79.6 mm of which fell in two hours. This was caused by the passage through Hong Kong of a cold front from the North during which the temperature fell 9.7° in a period of four hours, and was followed on May 21 and 22 by a period of strong Easterly winds gusting to gale force. The maximum just recorded was 35 knots on May 21.

The monthly figures and departures from normal were—

Sunshine: 127.5 hours (29.1 hours below normal).
Rainfall: 390.6 mm (104.9 mm above normal).
Cloudiness: 78 per cent (2 per cent above normal).
Relative Humidity: 89 per cent (5 per cent above normal).
Mean maximum temperature: 81.0°F (0.1°F below normal).
Mean temperature: 76.4°F (0.7°F below normal).
Mean minimum temperature: 72.9°F (0.9°F below normal).
Mean dew point: 72°F (normal).
Maximum temperature recorded: 88.8°F on May 27.
Minimum temperature recorded: 66.7°F on May 7.

NOTICE

WATER SUPPLY

The public is hereby notified that commencing on 5th June 1950, and until further notice, the daily hours for the supply of water in all districts will be:

6.00 a.m.—11.00 p.m.

A. P. WEIR
Actg. Director of
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June 3, 1950.

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Telephone Nos. 30206 and 19588 will remain unchanged.

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Hong Kong, June 4, 1950.



CAT man to run for Congress

Taipei, June 3.

Chinese-speaking Mr. Malcolm Rosholt today announced his candidacy for the seventh Congressional District of Wisconsin on a "Right Communism" platform.

The 42-year-old war veteran, said he felt it appropriate to start the campaign from this "last bastion" holding out against the Reds.

"Nothing can hide the fact that America is up against the most serious threat in our history. If elected to Congress I will do everything in my power to support not only Taiwan but all the free peoples everywhere."

Mr. Rosholt is a native of Rosholt, Wisconsin, population 300, which was named after his forefathers who founded it. He opposed the incumbent, Mr. Reid Murray, twice previously but was defeated in the Republican primaries.

Mr. Rosholt is an executive of the Civil Air Transport operated by General Claire Chennault but is resigning his job to campaign.

Money Market

US dollars opened yesterday at HK\$0.04, went up to \$0.04½ and closed at \$0.04½.

TT was stationary at HK\$0.09.

Sterling, too, was stationary at HK\$15.37.

Australian pounds were unchanged at HK\$12.25.

Metres continued nominal at HK\$12 a 100 and NEI Guilders at HK\$2.30 a 100, were unchanged.

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Clarin Fish	1.40
Shrimps	1.40
White Pomfret (large)	1.40
Red Pomfret (large)	1.40
Red Pomfret (small)	1.40
Red Pomfret (very small)	1.40

Insp. Davitt laid to rest

Inspector George Neil Davitt of the Hong Kong Police, who died at the Kowloon Hospital early on Friday morning after a sudden illness, was buried yesterday at the Roman Catholic cemetery, Happy Valley.

High police officials, including the Commissioner, Mr. D. W. Macintosh, attended. A detachment of police constables formed a guard of honour.

The Reverend Father M. Mo-rahan, SJ, conducted the service assisted by Father P. Joy, SJ, Father M. Pelly, SJ, and Father P. Grogan, SJ.

The coffin, which was draped with the Union Jack and upon which rested the deceased's service cap and Sam Browne belt, was accompanied from the cemetery gateway to the chapel by eight police officers.

Inspector Davitt, who was 40 years of age, and was attached to Police Headquarters. Born in Ireland, he was appointed to the Hong Kong Police on September 2, 1932, and served in various divisions of the force ever since.

The eight police officers flanking the coffin yesterday were Mr. J. Johnston, Director of Criminal Investigation; Mr. Tom Cushman, ADG Kowloon; Mr. C. Mottram, ASG; Inspector G. W. Willerton, Inspector A. Penfold, Detective Sub-Inspector A. N. Cochrane, Sub-Inspector A. G. Rose and Sub-Inspector W. Sullivan.

Among the many others present were the Officer Commanding Kowloon and New Territories Police, Mr. E. C. Luscombe; Mr. A. R. Major, ASP, PHQ; Mr. L. A. Searle, ASP; Mr. G. Leys, ASP; Mr. R. V. F. Turner, Marine Police Superintendent; Mr. E. Tyrer, ASP; Mr. H. W. E. Heath, ASP; Sub-Inspector Jones, Sub-Inspector Mackenzie, F. Shanks representing the President of St. Patrick's Society, and many others.

Wreaths were sent from the Commissioner of Police; All Officers, NT Division; Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Macpherson, Taipei; All Eastern Station Special Branch colleagues, The European Inspector Association, Hong Kong Police Sports Association, Gazette Officers, HKP; Anti-Corruption Branch, PHQ; Central Police Canteen, K. T. Leung, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hemsley, Officers and Men of Flying Squad, CID; Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Cochrane; Inspector, Yaumatei, CID; Yaumatei, CID; Inspector MacDonald, Sub-Inspector Howlett, B. N. Pang, The Po Hing Theatre, ASP George Leys, T. Dempsey, Chief Inspector and Mrs. W. S. Macfarland, Mr. and Mrs. T. Pyle, and others.

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Public subscriptions to the Hong Kong War Memorial Fund received between May 23 and June 2 are—

In Memory of Forbes Eastman Tam and Joe \$ 25.00

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Court Brevities

Hearing of the case against George McMurdy, 22-year-old court clerk of the ss. Enochow charged with larceny, was fixed for June 22 by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday.

Defendant, who will be represented by Mr. J. C. Stewart, was accused of stealing US\$1,107, HK\$820, a cheque for HK\$100, a gold ring and a pair of gold cuff links from the ship's chief officer, G. S. Ireland, on board the ship on May 19. He was further charged with possession of stolen property, namely, the American currency.

Meanwhile, McMurdy was remanded in goal custody for one week. Inspector W. H. Summers is in charge of the prosecution.

Suili insisting that he was a saint and suffered like a saint, 21-year-old Hui Wah-chung, who described himself as a religious student, was cautioned by Mr. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday when he was brought before him on remand and handed over to the custody of his brother-in-law.

Hui was charged with being a common nuisance after he was caught ransacking several times the door hall to the quarters of Mr. C. Luscombe, Commanding Officer for Kowloon and the New Territories, above the Kowloon Magistracy on the evening of May 24. After his arrest, he was sent to the mental hospital for observation and released on Thursday when he was remanded pending the arrival of his brother-in-law.

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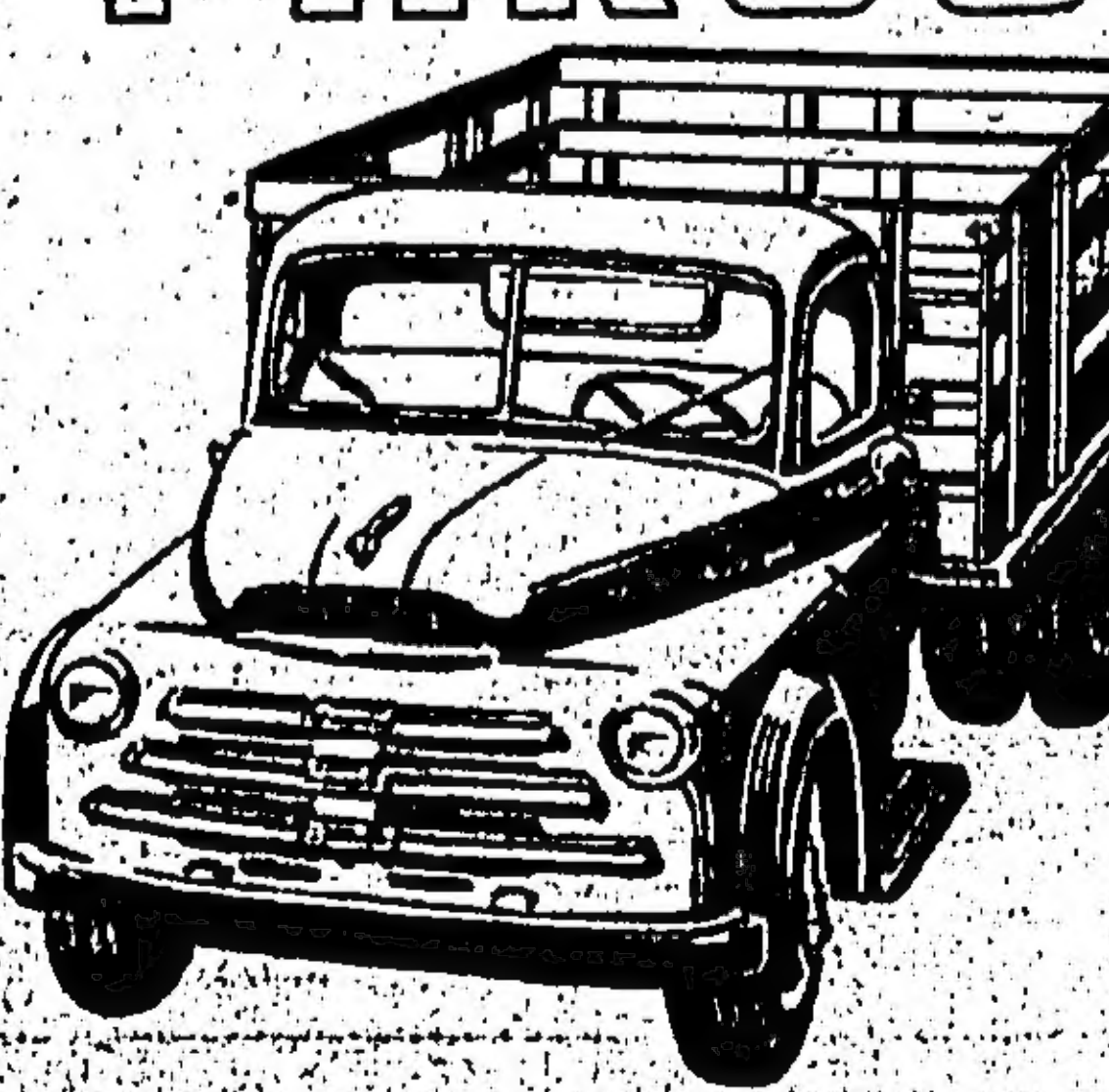
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JANUARY

(December 21-January 19th)
If you have anything important to settle do it by letter. It should be possible to get promises made earlier in year confirmed on Tuesday. Financially an excellent week; prospects both of increase in income and of "gamblers' luck".

FEBRUARY

(January 20-February 18)
Better concentrate on business and finance in next few days. If you play your cards skillfully on Tuesday you should be able to secure an addition to your income right away. Domestic and family conditions improve though anxiety still continues about an older person.

MARCH

(February 19-March 20)
If you have a good idea, act upon it right away. Though your closest associates will probably be in critical mood, it is worthwhile following up your own "hunches". Monday and Tuesday likely to be outstanding days if you are on the alert.

APRIL

(March 21-April 20)
Better make an effort to clear up outstanding jobs or settle personal grievances before midweek. Last few days of period will probably bring a chance to start something entirely new and to make useful link-ups. Financially a promising week though you may not "cash in" right away.

MAY

(April 21-May 20)
It will be worth your while to be hospitable and friendly throughout the week. You will gain more by judicious entertaining and by diplomatic overtures than by routine work. Chance midweek of making a useful link-up with somebody of importance or wealth.

JUNE

(May 21-June 20)
A busy week for income though there may be trouble over long-standing debts or family claims. If considering an important move or new job, act at once—preferably on Tuesday. Underlying anxiety probable about a woman friend or relative.



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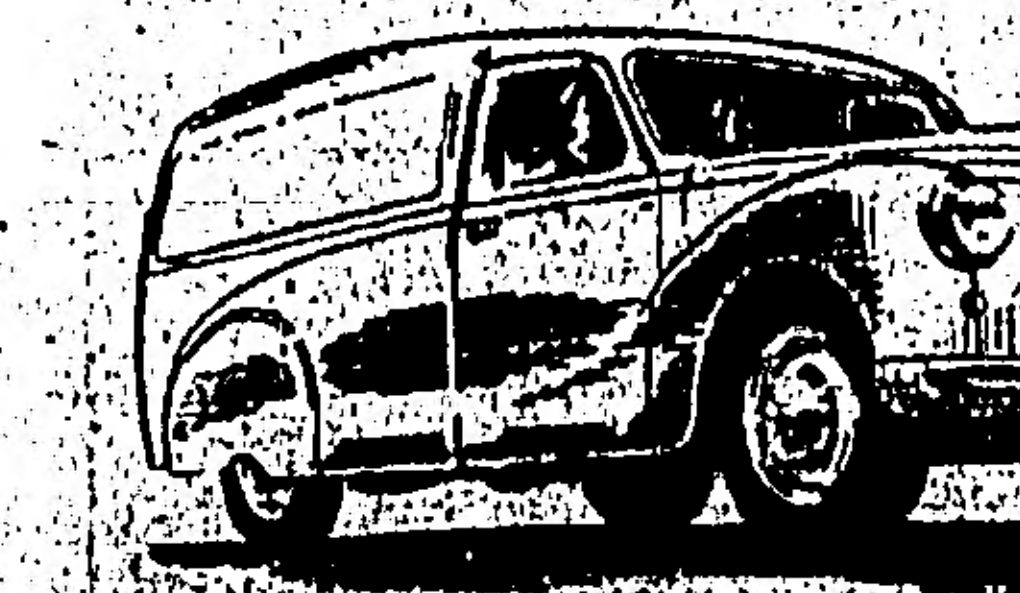
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Look for your birth period below and find the general indications for the week. Note that these observations are made according to the Zodiacal Signs and do not exactly coincide with the Calendar Month. For example, January covers December 21-January 19.

JULY

(June 21-July 20)
Good news comes from friends afar off probably on Tuesday. Or if you are interested in the law, or have legal business on hand, good fortune that day. Both socially and financially the outlook should be improving provided you can face the prospect of near future changes.

AUGUST

(July 21-August 21)
Probably some dispute about money owing or about insurance is settled in your favour. Also, if married, benefits come through the marriage partner. An interesting week for new schemes and contacts though nothing of importance is likely to develop before mid-month.

SEPTEMBER

(August 22-September 22)
Your closest relative or associate seems to be in funds throughout the week. Hence likelihood of debts being settled or some pressing anxiety lightened. Towards end of week good news of a scheme that involves travel or overseas link-up.

OCTOBER

(September 23-October 23)
Leave it to the other person this week! If you are content to let someone else take the lead, you will find it a pleasant and mildly profitable period. Schemes originated off your own bat will probably run a more complicated and difficult course.

NOVEMBER

(October 24-November 23)
If you are in the mood for a "fling", go all out for it in the next few days. Social prospects abound and there is some likelihood of speculative "luck". Concentrate on new friends and see as little as possible of over-critical elders.

DECEMBER

(November 24-December 20)
Good week for realising on property assets or furniture but unprofitable for purchases on a large scale. In business somewhat stagnant period though there are prospects of easier conditions end of month. A journey likely early in week.

SUNDAY, JUNE 4: FOR MOST OF US: If you want to avoid trouble this morning, keep clear of tele-a-tats. Arrange entertainments or hospitality for the evening hours. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Orange, 1, Diamond.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Although you will have a certain amount of worry in the next few months, in the long run you will vote this a happy and successful year. From the point of view of worldly and social achievement, prospects are glowing throughout 1950/51. What troubles you have will be chiefly personal ones.

These particular worries will centre round a period—between now and September and another near January and February 1951. They will in some way involve older women and possibly household or domestic arrangements. You are unlikely to shake off these particular troubles until just before Easter 1951.

Women in your circle will not only be a cause of worry this year but they will also be a source of expense. The older the woman concerned, the more you will have to pay out on her behalf in the near future.

During the early part of the year it might be as well to look after your own health, but from

Christmas onwards you should enter upon a period of unusual fitness and energy. Don't attempt to travel or to move about much during the first six months of the year. But you could safely go abroad or move house if necessary in the early months of 1951.

Don't worry too much about the past or about personal restrictions. With the New Year of 1951 should come opportunities to follow out your own schemes and to form valuable friendships. If now unmarried, you may plunge into engagement rather suddenly shortly before your next birthday. If already married, a house move seems likely about the same date.

MONDAY, JUNE 5: FOR MOST OF US: Though your own temper may be uncertain and others in your circle be on edge, much could be accomplished this morning. It would be a good idea to act on intuition and trust to first impressions. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Lavender, 7, Opal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: You are likely to experience a certain conflict throughout the coming 12 months between the rational, intellectual part of your character and the purely intuitional side. On the whole, it would be better to trust to insight and to hunches in 1950/51 than to reason too closely about any particular problem.

Again and again you will find that just the moment you are feeling frustrated and disappointed, some inspiration helps you out of a very difficult problem indeed. What you do that month is likely to affect your well-being for many months afterwards.

Finances seem to be the least of your worries this year. There is some likelihood of windfalls and income should keep up a very good level. But if an employer, you will have difficulties with staff; if employed, it may not be easy to settle down with fellow workers.

If you get a chance to travel overseas, take it at all costs. Any undertaking that takes you near the sea or on a voyage would bring not only profit but great happiness. If you are interested in one of the Arts, a sea voyage might be the prelude to some very successful work.

Your personal life will run on a curious line throughout the year. New friendships made towards your next birthday will bring much happiness but will be of an idealistic character. So if unmarried, you seem likely to remain so; if married, the general pattern of your life will not change to any extent. Within the family all's well except for one or two difficult patches with young people.

TUESDAY, JUNE 6: FOR MOST OF US: Excellent business day; get going on your latest scheme as early as possible. Fortunately, too, for social life, entertaining. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Royal purple, 3, Amethyst.

essential person taking an interest in your affairs. Have nothing to do with house buying or property in any form this year. A change of residence would probably be harmful both for you and your family. Also, if you bought property in 1950/51 you would be likely to get a bad bargain.

Take good care of health, particularly in August and September and again in the New Year of 1951. There may also be some worry and expense connected with the well-being of a much older woman in your circle.

If unmarried, be content to remain so at any rate until Easter 1951. Engagement or marriage undertaken early in the year might lead to regrets. If already married, there may be some worry in the next few months connected either with your own relatives or in-laws, but you find much happiness in social activities and in new friendships.

THURSDAY, JUNE 8: FOR MOST OF US: Day of surprises and possibly of quarrels. Don't make impulsive decisions. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Pale grey, 5 Topaz.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: It will be difficult to plan far ahead in 1950/51. Again and again your carefully made arrangements will be upset at the last moment. Better keep yourself in readiness for sudden changes, emergencies, adventures.

One thing seems certain, and that is that you will move about a great deal this year. You will find it just as difficult to stay in one place as to keep to one course of action. Whether you like the idea or not, the stars seem to be uprooting you in the coming 12 months.

Financially, all should be well, though you may not have much in hand. Also, you will probably have to spend a good deal on travel and on new schemes that are thrust upon you against your will. Some change in environment is likely as a result of a new official regulation.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7: FOR MOST OF US: Be content with small achievements and routine work today. Better to postpone interviews or important changes until tomorrow. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Pastel shades, 6, Turquoise.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Though you may not be content with your present environment or job, better put up with either for another 12 months. If you embark upon changes this year, you do so under unpropitious stars. It will be wiser to stay put until your next birthday.

Though you have little to fear in the way of setbacks you may find that old debts or long-standing responsibilities are a heavy burden throughout the year. Towards Christmas, your usual income may be augmented in some way, or you may benefit through windfalls. There is some likelihood too of employer or in-

Health should be good this year but do be careful about accident risk, particularly if you are handling cooking apparatus, machinery or edged tools. Also, if you are responsible for older people, keep a special watch upon them during September.

Your personal life will be as changeable as your working existence. One close relationship is likely to break up rather suddenly. On the other hand, you make interesting new friends and probably find yourself at the end of the year in a more congenial social group. Better not make impulsive changes or fall out with relatives if you can avoid doing so.

FRIDAY, JUNE 9: FOR MOST OF US: Muddles tend to accumulate throughout the day. Chance though of making at least one useful social contact or of completing long-drawn out scheme.

FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Cream, 1, Crystal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Any troubles you may have in 1950/51 will come from a tendency to "muddle through". If you can keep your affairs in order, be methodical in what you do, all should be well with you in the coming twelve months.

It is important though not to borrow or lend money this year, and you would be wise to keep clear of friends' and relatives' troubles. If you are too sympathetic or over-generous you may end the year in debt.

Don't make unnecessary changes and do all you can to keep in the good graces of your employer or of important people in your business group. Much may come of link-ups made either in August of this year or in April 1951.

From the point of view of spiritual and psychic development, this may well be an outstanding year. You are likely to have odd experiences, flashes of intuition, possibly strange dreams. If interested in the Occult, a good deal of progress could be made between October and Easter.

It is likely to be a year of romantic adventures, but better not take new friendships too seriously. There is some prospect, that you would get involved with people who are fascinating and gifted but who prove thoroughly unreliable. If you value your peace of mind and domestic happiness, keep clear of such alliances this year.

SATURDAY, JUNE 10: FOR MOST OF US: Propitious for most undertakings and particularly favourable for outdoor activities. Get a change of scene if you can. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Sea green, 2, Aquamarine.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Although you may not find this an outstanding year in your life, it will be a successful and fairly happy one. Throughout 1950/51 you should be making steady progress, consolidating your position, making provision for the future.

A business change would be advisable and you may get an opportunity to arrange one either in August or about Easter next. If the change involves your going back to a job you held some years ago, or working with someone you knew in the past, so much the better.

Financially it should be a fortunate year, though there is little hope of windfalls or gains through speculation. Instead, you will forge ahead steadily, get promotion slowly but surely. And that older friends are willing to back you when necessary.

If you have any interest in politics, either national or local, this interest will probably intensify in 1950/51. The chances are that you will take a part in some activity in your neighbourhood connected either with social improvements or with politics.

Although there is little hope of romantic adventures, yet this could be a quietly happy year. So if planning marriage go ahead, but be sure you get the approval of your family. If already married, it might be worthwhile moving house and, if possible, buying property in 1950.

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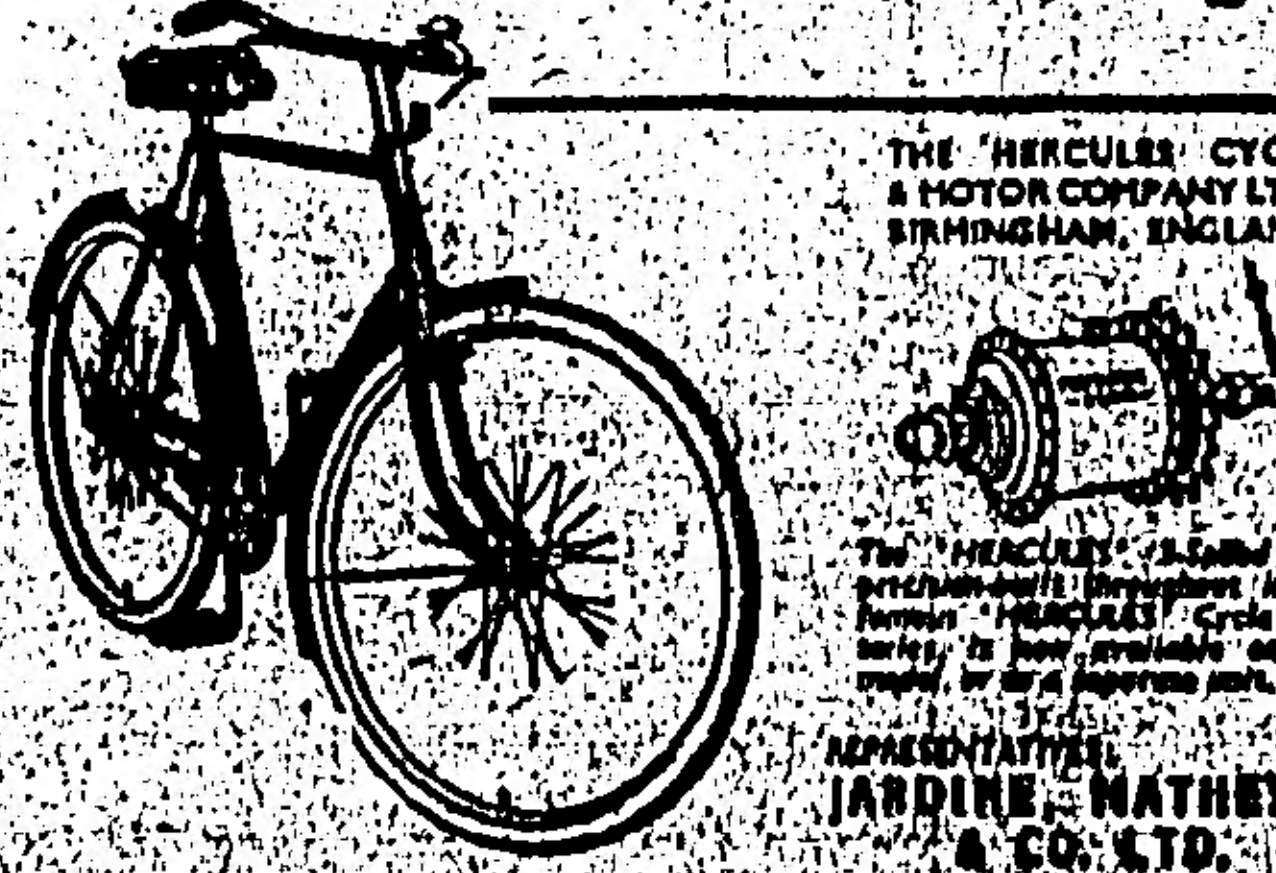
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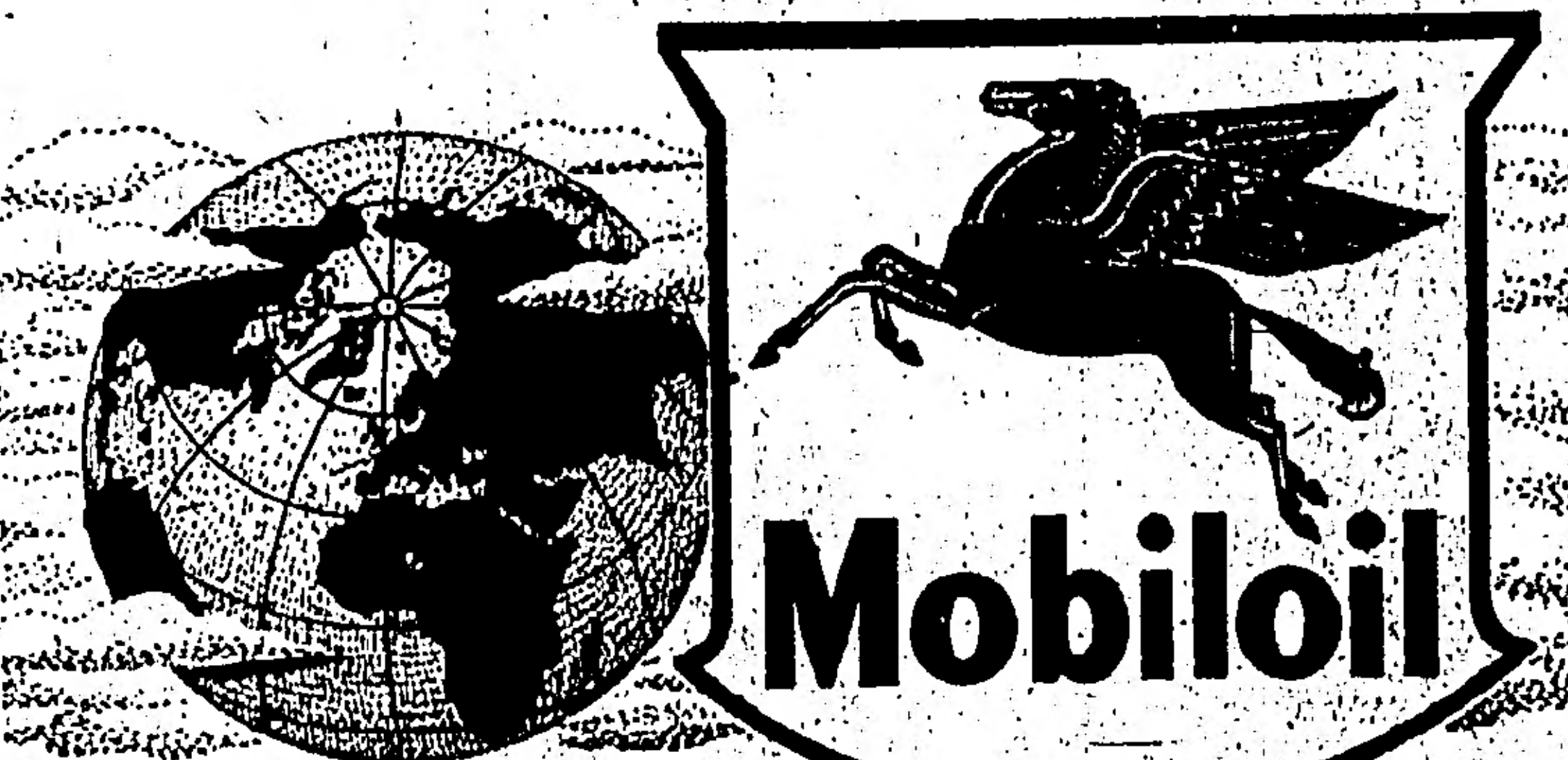
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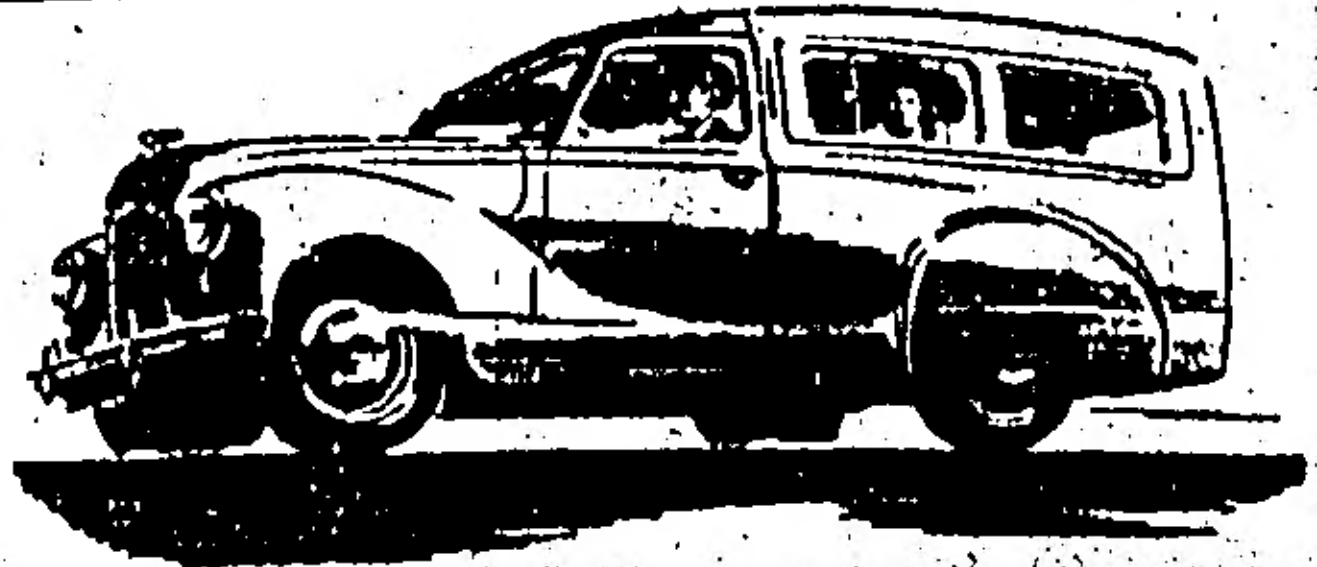
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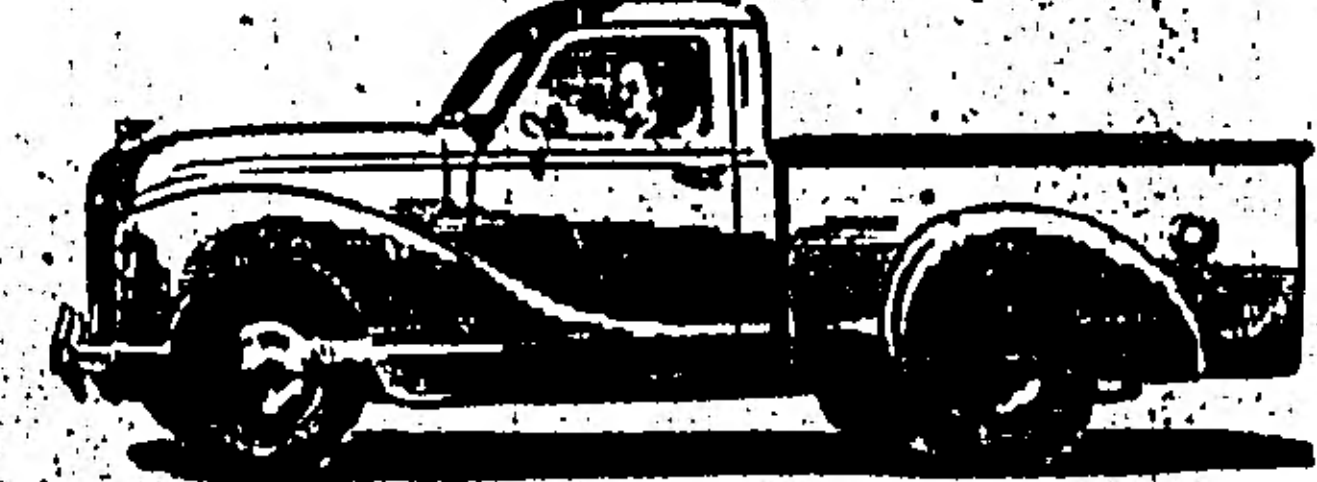
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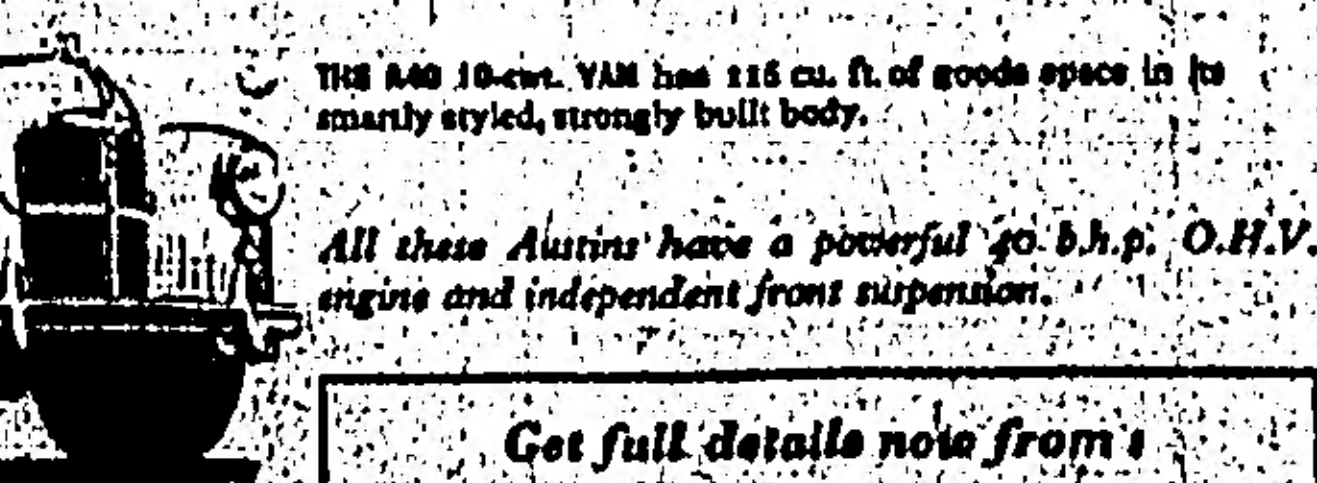
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SICKLES WEREN'T SICKLES

Chicago, June 2. Chicagoans may never know about flying saucers but at least the mystery of "flying sickles" was solved today. The sickles weren't sickles. They were question marks. And they were made by pilot Willbur Tatum trying out a new type of luminous smoke for sky writing.

But thousands of residents on the North Side weren't any happier. The mystery began on Wednesday night when a plane, later identified as a trainer flown by Tatum, roared over the area. Residents said its unusually loud noise was awakening them. When householders looked to the sky they saw strange sickles shimmering in the light of the full moon.

Many were convinced that the plane was Russian ship emblazoning the Soviet symbol in the heavens. The Civil Aeronautics Administration Office at Midway Field was swamped by more than 500 telephone calls from householders, police and authorities at the hospital where patients were frightened.

When Tatum finally landed, he was questioned and admitted that he had thrown his propellers into loud pitch from time to time making his engine unusually noisy. But he said he had flown about 6,000 feet all the time.

"But I wasn't making sickles," he said. "I had to write something to try out the new smoke. Those were question marks."—United Press.

TYRONE POWER LEAVING PI

Manila, June 3. The film star Tyrone Power and his leading lady, Michelle Pfeiffer, are embarking for the United States this afternoon following completion of the shooting of "American Guerrilla in the Philippines."

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Washington, June 2. Some senior United States officials now favour a return to Japan of some of her pre-war island possessions.

The islands involved include some of the Ryukyu chain, stretching from Taiwan to the four main islands of Japan. Okinawa, at present a bastion in the United States Pacific defence line, would not be affected.

The Secretary of State, Dean Acheson, disclosed last January that the United States, at the proper time, would ask the United Nations for trusteeship over the Ryukyus.

Some of Mr. Acheson's advisers indicated they do not consider American control of the entire chain essential to American security. They believe the trusteeship can be confined to Okinawa and outlying islands, required for auxiliary bases, radar stations, and other purposes.

They suggested that the Northernmost islands, including the relatively large islands of Tanaka Shima and Yaku Shima, could be returned to Japan.

The latter two islands lie North of the 30th parallel. According to some definitions, they are not a part of the Ryukyu group but for practical purposes United States officials apply the term "Ryukyus" to all islands between Taiwan and Japan proper.

RADIO

10.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.
10.02—"Saturday's Sports Results" (Studio)
10.05—"Manhattan and His Orbs" with Vocal.
10.30—"New of the Celebration of Mass from St. Joseph's Church, Free School Lane, Hong Kong" (Studio)
11.15—"A Short Report by John Macdonald" (Studio)
11.18—"Time for Music"—BBC Midland Light Orchestra (BBC)
P.M.
12.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.
12.02—"Memories of Waldfeldt" (Studio)
12.05—"Popular Varieties" (Studio)
12.15—"New Weather Report and Announcements."
1.25—"Interlude."
1.30—"Afternoon Concert, Leon Goossens" (Studio)
2.00—"Take It from Here"—With Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley and Jimmy Edwards. (BBC)
2.30—"Jazz Hall Hour"—Introduced by Scott McCrellin. (Studio)
3.00—"Hospital Requests"—Presented by Pauline Spencer. (Studio)
4.00—"The Merry Macs"—(Studio)
4.30—"Two's Company"—Introduced by Richard Allen. (Studio)
4.45—"Morton Gould and His Orchestral Music from the Films"—(Studio)
5.00—"Home Requests"—Presented by "Homesense"—(Studio)
6.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.
6.02—"Services"—Even-Song—Music for Worship. (BBC)
6.30—"Composers' Catechism"—Music for Worship. (BBC)
7.00—"We Sing for You"—Rina Oishi (Soprano) and Benjamin Oishi (Tenor). (Tenor)
7.15—"Weekly News-Letter"—(London Relay)
7.30—"Dinner Music."
8.00—"World News and News Analysis" (London Relay)
8.15—"Looking Ahead"—A Review of the Week's Events. (Studio)
8.30—"Mary Lawrence"—A Dramatisation of Anthony Trollope's Novel "The Last Days of Pompeii." (Studio)
9.00—"From the Editor's Desk" (London Relay)
9.10—"Weather Report."
9.15—"Interlude."
9.18—"Symphony Concert—Saint-Saens' Concerto No. 1 in A Minor, Op. 58, Pierre Fournier (Cello) and the Philharmonia Orchestra, conducted by Walter Susskind. (BBC)
9.30—"The Second of Five Tales" by J. H. Priestley. (BBC)
10.00—"From the Editor's Desk" (London Relay)
10.05—"Radio News Reel" (London Relay)
10.15—"Weather Report."
10.18—"Tolliver"—Conducted by the BBC Symphony Orchestra. (BBC)
10.25—"God Save the King."
11.25—"Close Down."

SOLUTION OF FOOD SHORTAGE?

London, June 3. A British scientist suggested today that synthetic sugar—produced by atomic energy—might help solve future food problems.

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6.00—"Orchestra."
6.15—"News and Weather Report."
6.30—"Morning Music."
6.45—"News and Weather Forecast."
6.55—"Sunday Varieties."
P.M.
10.00—"Exploring Hong Kong."
10.15—"Claude Thornhill and his Orchestra."
10.30—"Church Service."
10.35—"Light Green Melodies."
10.40—"Our Les Bords de la Seine."
10.45—"Lunch Time Music."
11.00—"News and Weather Report."
11.15—"Popular Concert."
11.30—"The Space of Life."
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12.15—"Age Concert Party."
12.30—"Varieties."
12.45—"Jus For You."
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1.15—"The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes."
1.30—"Songs of the Nations."
1.45—"Lullaby to Lullaby."
2.00—"Local News."
2.15—"News from the Shows."
2.30—"Classics For Today."
2.45—"London Playhouse."
3.00—"Herald News."
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Stalin was not on board

New York, June 2. The Press was prepared, but Stalin was not there. Acting on the theory that a tip, however preposterous, should never be ignored, some newspapers awaited the arrival of the Russian leader today in response to a tip that the Soviet leader was aboard.

The captain of the Taurus, Salt Ozege, was amazed. He said: "Stalin? Stalin? On my ship?"

After the ship was searched just in case Stalin was a stowaway, the captain invited the Press to lunch. Everyone accepted.—United Press.

AMERICAN ATOMIC WEAPONS

The U.S. has developed atomic artillery shells and atomic warheads for guided missiles. It was learned today.

News of these revolutionary weapons comes in the wake of the Defence Secretary, Louis Johnson's report to President Harry Truman on March 31 that America is developing new atomic missiles which may have tactical as well as strategic significance.

This means they can be used against troops in the field as well as against industrial targets.

Reports of the new weapons are giving Atlantic Pact military planners new confidence that Western Europe can be made secure against possible aggression without bankrupting the U.S. and her allies.

Atlantic Pact planners do not regard the tactical atomic weapons as a substitute for stronger conventional ground and air forces in West Europe or for stronger air and naval forces in the U.S.

They believe that strengthened ground and tactical air forces in Europe are essential to force an enemy army to concentrate in mass formations and thus be vulnerable to atomic weapons.

Atlantic Pact military planners have feared that absence of real military strength in West Europe might invite a Russian attack a few years from now unless the void is filled in the meantime.—Associated Press.

CHINESE LAND IN RYUKYUS

Tokyo, June 2. Occupation officials today confirmed the landing of a group of Chinese Nationalists on the Ryukyu Island group after their three motorless junk boats were blown off their course by heavy winds during their evacuation from Chusan Islands.

The group, comprising 128 soldiers, 34 children and women and 33 crew, was stranded on Amami Island within the Ryukyu group and provided food by the Military Government. They were expected to return soon to Taiwan either under their own steam or facilities provided by the Ryukyu Army Command. The Army is continuing to watch for other possible refugees.—United Press.

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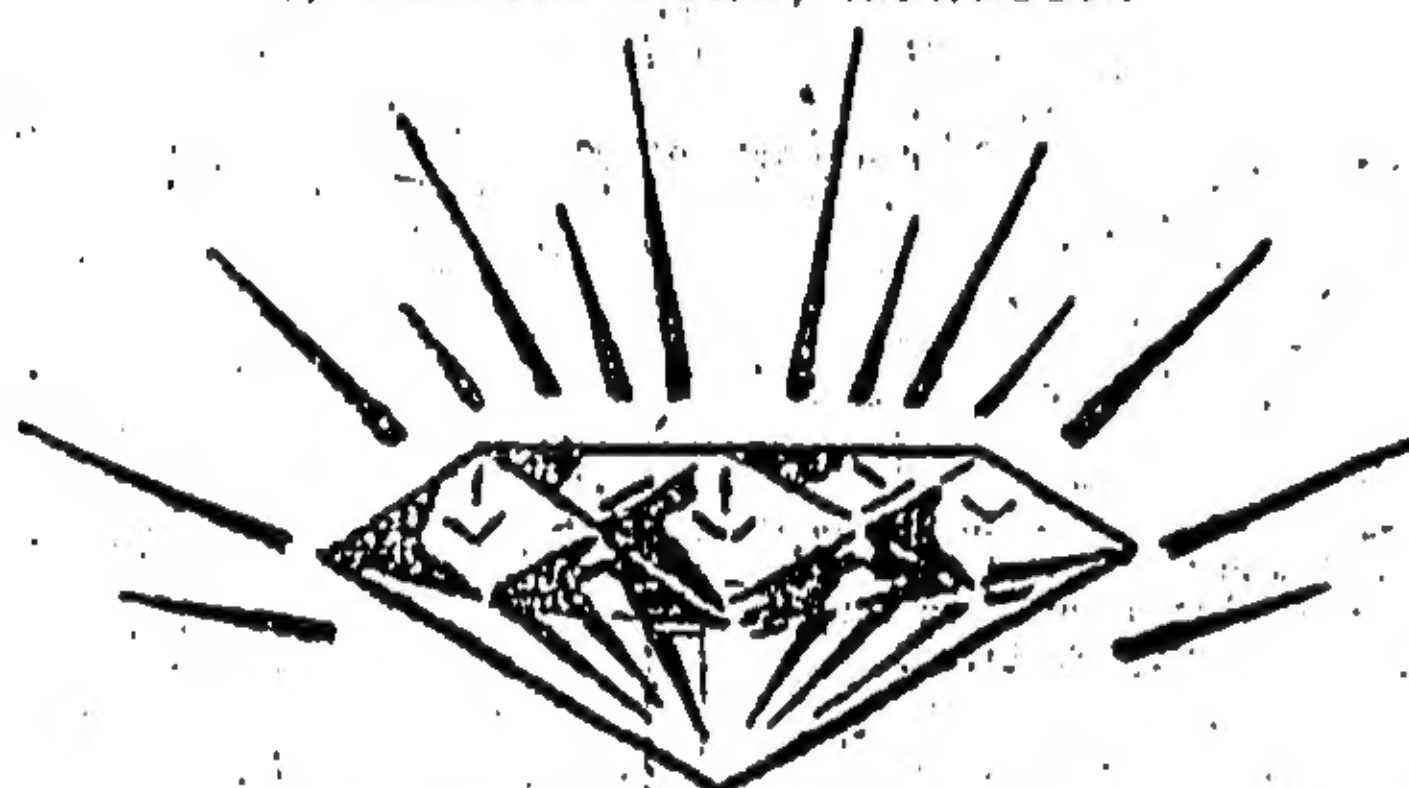
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Molotov after Stalin

After pooling all their available information during their talks here, Mr. Bevin, Mr. Dean Acheson, and Mr. Schuman have come to the unanimous conclusion that Molotov is now the designated successor of Stalin upon the latter's death. It is considered unlikely that he would meet with any serious opposition in assuming the leadership when that moment arrives.

The Ministers agreed that Stalin himself would carry on at the head of affairs in Russia until death, but that he would continue to delegate more and more executive authority to Molotov, who, they agreed, is already performing many of Stalin's duties.

No other Soviet leader—except Stalin—is thought to be in the position of co-ordinating every aspect of Soviet internal and external policy as Molotov.

Not in running

The Ministers also had before them dispatches from their Embassies in Moscow supporting reports circulating during the past few weeks that Stalin has actually made a political testament designating the former Soviet Foreign Minister as his successor. Molotov's two principal competitors for the leadership, Malenkov and Beria, are not regarded as being seriously in the running at all, as both men, while powerful members of the Politburo, exercise authority only in their own particular spheres, in the former case as secretary-general of the Communist Party and the latter as head of atomic research.

Beria is understood no longer to have direct control of the Soviet Secret Police.

Pool plan

It cannot be doubted that the French proposal to pool the coal and steel resources of France and Germany, with the intention that the arrangements be extended to cover Britain and the Benelux countries, has placed the British Government in a difficult position. For a country like Luxembourg, it is comparatively simple to adhere to it; but Britain has wide industrial ramifications and she would have to be extremely careful before taking any step whatever which might impair her freedom of action in the industrial field.

It has now become a truism that Britain must export or die. The awkward aspect of the whole matter is that any seeming reluctance to join the West European coal and steel pool will be interpreted in the American Congress circles as one more proof that Britain is throwing spanners into the machinery for closer economic integration in Europe.

France's initiative

Diplomatic observers, although differing on aspects of the Schuman plan, are unanimous about one thing — that, for the time being, the French have wrested the leadership and initiative in Europe from Britain.

For a long time French spokesmen have harboured the belief that Mr. Ernest Bevin and his



colleagues have been "dragging their feet" on European unity. Mr. Churchill openly charged them with this, and it cannot be said that Mr. Bevin has done very much to dispel the belief on Government hesitations over the Council of Europe, the European Payments, the proposed Atlantic High Council, and the British failure to notify the French of the decision to devalue the pound.

M. Schuman feared that if he invited Mr. Bevin to be present at the launching of his new plan it might be destroyed at birth. Whatever French motives for keeping Britain (and America) in the dark M. Schuman has scored a resounding diplomatic victory by compelling the Government to come into the open on European Federation.

Now Mr. Bevin is being pressed to face fairly and squarely a plan which appears to have hit the British Foreign Office with the force and unexpectedness of an atomic explosion. Yet it has been in the process of evolution for some time. Both the European Movement and the International Socialist Conference have discussed it, and the latter body is in the process of publishing a comprehensive report about it.

Common front

One valuable result of the meetings of the "Big Three" in London is that there is now a fuller appreciation on the part of the American State Secretary, Mr. Dean Acheson, of the importance of a common front against Communism in South East Asia. These three powers may now be expected to work more closely together to ensure that Communism does not spill over the Chinese border into Indo-China, Siam, Malaya, and other areas which, so far, have been able to withstand the usurpation of power by Moscow-inspired minorities.

While the front for South East Asia is in process of construction here, an important contribution to the same end was made in Sydney, where the Commonwealth representatives were meeting to decide how they can play their part.

The problem of containing Communism in the Far East is mainly economic — better living conditions more than anything else — but it is also political and military. The terrorist in Malaya, for example, can only be successfully countered by political and military action; and in this connection there is now little doubt that Australia will help the British forces either by making aircraft available or sending a volunteer force, or both.

Strong action

Mr. Dean Acheson, the U.S. Secretary of State, is to take new strong diplomatic action to try to bring about the release of Mr. Vogeler, the U.S. citizen now serving a long prison sentence in Hungary for alleged espionage.

This was revealed here by authoritative American circles just after Vogeler's wife, who flew specially from Vienna to London during the "Big Three" meeting to see Mr. Acheson, had left London Airport.

She had said that she had never been more confident about the possibility of her husband's early release.

The exact form the new diplomatic action will take is not clear, but it is believed that in addition to any new protest to be made in Budapest, action may be threatened at the United Nations. New reprisals against Hungary are also mentioned.

It is believed here that the British Government will act together with the U.S. with similar new diplomatic steps in regard to the Briton, Edgar Sanders, who was imprisoned at the same time as Vogeler.

Scottish opinion

The Queen, who made a promise many months ago that when the rebuilding of bomb-damaged St. Columba's Church of Scotland was finally authorised, she would lay the foundation stone, has, I understand, agreed to perform the ceremony on July 4.

This should be an interesting and historic Scottish occasion in London.

Operations on the site at Pont Street, Kensington, are now under way, and although details for the ceremony on July 4 have not yet been fixed, the Queen is assured of a particularly warm welcome from the Scottish community here. Most of the funds for rebuilding have come from voluntary subscriptions. They now stand at £132,000.

Beauty-conscious

London, like an ageing woman, is becoming increasingly conscious of its fading beauty. With the Festival of Britain only a year ahead, the effort to recapture some of the lost glamour is becoming noticeable to us all.

The big tidy-up in the bomb areas and in the open spaces is comparatively simple. It is the re-creation of beauty that is complex and difficult for London architects, with the intrusion of bare row-boys, cheap amusement arcades, dingy cafes, and garish funfairs, have lost much of their dignity.

The clean up of Oxford Street, once the most fashionable shopping centre in the world, has been going on for many months now, but the barrow-boys and the hawkers are still there. It is the same in the historic Strand.

Shopkeepers "there have now got together to protect their thoroughfare. Will these efforts to regain lost prestige succeed? There are many who doubt it.

Fashion war

For the writers and buyers who come from near and far to

see what London has to offer in the way of fashions for the forthcoming season, the London fashion weeks, followed almost immediately by the Paris shows, are perhaps the busiest and most tiring times of the year.

Usually, the shows of the London "Big Ten" designers are spread out over the week with two parades a day, but the July collections will be shown in two days with parades at 9.30 a.m., 11.30, 2.30, 4.30 and 6.30 each day. This new arrangement has to be made as Paris has announced that her opening date is to be July 27, and this cuts into the London week.

I understand, however, that London is not too much perturbed by this action on the part of the Paris designers, who are well aware of Britain's prominent place in the international fashion picture, and have declared their intentions of "clipping" her wings.

It is, in fact, hoped that Paris's intention to make the earliest-ever opening of her fashion houses will tend to have a stimulating effect on the London collections.

Tram-addicts

These of us who know our London transport are inclined to agree with the official view that they have outlived their usefulness.

After the smooth-running trolley-buses and the super-comfort of the new London petrol buses, they readily fall into the category of bone-shakers.

We are not all so critical, however. There is an organisation called the Light Railway Transport League, which is fighting local and national to prevent the London trams eventually going off the road. They think the tram is the best and smoothest form of road transport.

So tram-conscious fare league members that most of their holidays are spent travelling about in trams, in different parts of the country. This summer, I understand, they have arranged for a tour of Scotland, with a journey round the tramways of Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Dundee and Glasgow. Last year their trip was a fifty-three-mile tram ride round London.

Silent woman

There is some speculation here about the pending arrival of a strangely revealing lady from Germany. She is, in fact, the transparent woman.

A life-size figure in plastic, she is said to be the result of 30 years' research and experiment in anatomical reconstruction by surgeons, sculptors, artists, engineers, health experts and electricians. She is being brought over here in July by the Central Council for Health Education for exhibition at the British Food Fair at Olympia.

Under the plastic flesh every organ, blood vessel, bone, gland, and nerve of the human system is reproduced with anatomical precision. Inside are many sets of lamps shaped to the organs they will illuminate, and a miniature power station at the base controls the lighting system by means of which, organ by organ, the entire anatomy is slowly lit up in life-colours and seen to function. The woman does not talk.

Feet first

It is extraordinary to think that we do not taken proper care of our feet, considering how much we depend on them. Yet statistics compiled by the Foot Health Education Bureau, a non-profit-making concern with Government backing, show that more than half the population of Britain suffer from foot ailments of various kinds. As this foot-soreness means the loss of some millions of working hours each year, the bureau is organising a national foot health week from June 12 to 17 to make us all "foot-conscious."

What the CHINESE PRESS is saying

Those planes again

WAI KIU YAT PO: Britain's Foreign Secretary has no jurisdiction over the 70 Chinese planes detained in Hong Kong. Even the British Government must abide by the decisions handed down by the Courts of Justice.

The statement made in the House of Commons recently that Britain does not intend to step back from her course just because of some trifling and unhappy news coming from China was not only intended to be a reply to the Opposition. It was also a reply to the Peking Government's statement of May 22.

Some observers interpreted the British statement as a hint that Britain is willing to make further concessions to the Peking Government.

However, after making a deeper study of the statement, it would appear that it was really intended to rebuff the Chinese Communists on the one hand and on the other to state categorically that transference of Nationalist assets in Hong Kong to the new regime should not be a prerequisite to the establishment of diplomatic relations between Britain and the Peking Government.

Mr. Bevin stated that Britain should let the Chinese know that the Soviet Union is not the one and only friend of China and that it is not only the Soviet Union that can help China on the road to prosperity.

It is an encouragement to Mao Tse-tung to become a Chinese Tito, but it will not have a favourable reception in Chinese Communist circles because of their lean to one side policy. Britain is in a dilemma, as regarded the transference of Nationalist assets. She has no alternative now but to allow the question to drag on indefinitely. Britain is not at all prepared to give an unconditional answer to the demands of the Chinese Communists.

China's strategy

NEW LIFE EVENING POST: Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's strategy apparently is still based on the outbreak of a third world

war. Theoretically, this strategy is a reasonable one — its only weakness lies in the fact that it is not practical as the present situation does not allow Taiwan to wait for a third world war.

Reports from the Chinese mainland have confirmed that the Soviet Union is employing all her efforts for further expansion in Asia. She has moved her strength, previously concentrated in West Europe, to Asia.

Taiwan is at present the weakest point in the conflict between the Soviet Union and the United States, and therefore can be subjected to the heaviest pressure. The strategy of the Communist bloc has always been to concentrate on the weakest point of the opposition. Taiwan is the weakest. It has no hope of survival in the event of a third world war.

Red infiltration

KUNG SHEUNG YAT PO: Persistent Communist infiltration into South East Asia is causing confusion in Asiatic countries. If the leading democratic nations persist in their indifferent attitude toward South East countries, the entire Asian people will be enslaved.

Asia is today a hot-bed of Communism with the Soviet Union gaining the upper hand of the democracies. No doubt poverty and ignorance have helped the spread of Communism in this part of the world. The policy of the Western nations have contributed to the implementation of the Soviet policy. It is essential that they change their attitude.

UN representation

TA KUNG PAO: China is fully entitled to be represented on the UNO. She has a population of 475,000,000 and has fought eight years' heroic war against imperialism.

mainland and most of the islands, that the Nationalist regime only controls Taiwan, and that the 475,000,000 Chinese people are the pillars of world peace.

The American imperialists and their fellow-travellers have persistently opposed representation of the People's Republic of China on the UNO. They fear that with the veto power in the Security Council, China will stand side by side with the Soviet Union in the struggle for world peace.

The delegates of the Soviet Union, Poland and Czechoslovakia have repeatedly walked out of UNO conferences in protest against the failure to admit the People's Republic of China. These walk outs are justified and advantageous to the United Nations. Without the voice of the 475,000,000 Chinese how can the UNO fulfil its mission for maintaining world peace?

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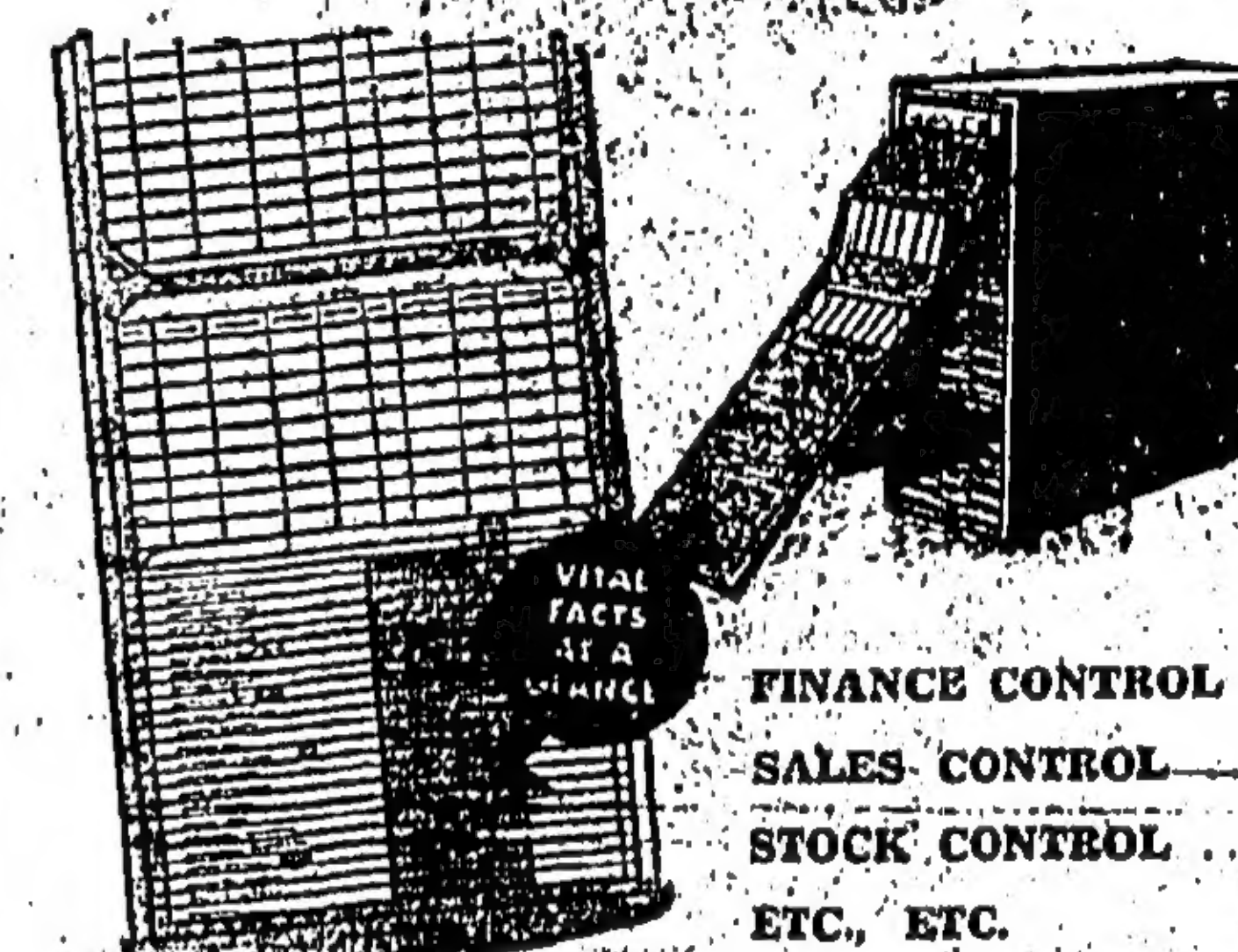
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LONDON TAXI DRIVERS OUT ON STRIKE

London, June 2.

A drivers' strike for a bigger share of higher taxi fares pulled more than half of London's 6,750 taxicabs off the streets of the world's biggest city today.

The strike began at midnight, 24 hours after the new higher fare rate went into effect.

Yugoslavia withdraws Warsaw envoy

Belgrade, June 2.
Yugoslavia today recalled its Ambassador in Warsaw, the official Yugoslav news agency, Tanjug, reported.

Tanjug said that the Yugoslav Ambassador, Dr. Rade Pribicevic, was recalled because "the insulting, discriminatory conduct of the Polish authorities towards the Yugoslav Embassy in Poland, and particularly towards the Yugoslav Ambassador, prevented the normal performance of his duties and his further stay in Poland."

A Charge d'Affaires would in future be in charge of the Warsaw Embassy.—Reuter.

The Drivers' Union, the Road Passenger Group of the giant Transport and General Workers' Union, estimated that close to 4,000 company-owned cabs were idle in garages.

Some 2,300 owner-driven cabs were enjoying a boom. They scuttled about London's narrow congested streets with their flags down, signifying they were carrying passengers.

The owner-operated taxis were joined by a few score cabs owned by companies which have agreed to the Union's terms.

But there were lines of frustrated would-be fares at most central cab ranks and railroad stations.

The drivers claim the increased fares will cut down their revenue from tips. They want their commission raised from the present 33 1/3 per cent to 40 per cent. The drivers work for commission and tips only.

Owners' claim

The 140 fleet-operating owners say the fare increase will only be enough to meet higher operating costs, now twice those of pre-war days. They argue that the drivers are earning double their pre-war incomes.

The old basic rate was 1/4 for the first mile and nine pence for each additional third of a mile. The drivers got 1/3 of it.

Frank Coyle, National Secretary of the Drivers' Union, said a check yesterday indicated that the new fares would reduce the tips by five shillings a day. He said the average tip on a short haul was three pence to six pence.—Associated Press.

down when Egypt demanded incorporation of the Sudan. Sir William Slim said that he would not be going on any patrols during his visit to Malaya.

"I've done my whack of patrolling," he declared. "He will also pay brief visits to Burma—my old hunting ground—India and Pakistan."—Reuter.

SLIM OFF TO EGYPT

London, June 2.
Field-Marshal Sir William Slim, Chief of the British Imperial General Staff, left London tonight by air for Cairo to discuss Egypt's demand for the withdrawal of British troops in the Suez Canal Zone.

He will later visit New Zealand, Australia and Malaya. A new note reaffirming Egypt's wish for total withdrawal of British troops was sent to Britain yesterday. It also emphasised her demand for sovereignty over the Sudan.

Shortly after the war Britain agreed to evacuate the Suez Zone provided alternative defence arrangements could be made.

Discussions for the renewal of the Anglo-Egyptian treaty broke



THE MAN WHO ISN'T THERE

VIOLENT ERUPTION OF MAUNA LOA VOLCANO

Honolulu, June 2.

Mauna Loa Hawaii's famous volcano, spouted molten rivers of destruction over the countryside today in a violent eruption which smashed two villages and could be seen 200 miles away.

Police said that no casualties were reported in towns. Two persons who had been reported missing in streams of red hot lava were found safe later.

They were elderly Abraham Lincoln, Postmaster of Hoonah, and his wife who were given shelter with 75 other refugees in the resort town of Kona.

The spectacular eruption sent lava flowing like bloated snakes to the Pacific ocean 15 miles away. One of the red rivers was two miles wide. Lava flowed rapidly to the coast.

Lorrin Thurston, publisher of the "Honolulu Advertiser," said this was the first time in recorded history that flows had reached the sea in less than two days.

The twisting boiling lava of death and destruction has engulfed at least five scattered ranch houses, a Roman Catholic Church, a cemetery and a village post office.

The Hookers school, several miles away from the flow, was being prepared to shelter refugees who were increasing hourly.

Waterfall of fire

A graphic description of Mauna Loa's sixth eruption was given to the United Press in the telephone by Mrs. Hayes, wife of the Kona fish and game warden.

She said she, her husband and four friends had made an outrigger canoe trip along the coast where they watched the lava surge into the water in tremendous clouds of steam that shot a mile into the air.

The homes of Frank Modelos, Henry Hose, Fred Iona and possibly a Mrs. Carol along with the Catholic Church and its adjoining cemetery disappeared under the moving molten lava. The flow of lava into the ocean was a regular waterfall of fire.

She said, "We couldn't come too close because the paint started blistering the hull of the canoe."

A scream in the background interrupted the telephone conversation. The voice said the lava flow was getting closer. "I must go," Mrs. Hayes said. "It's coming down. I'll call some other time."

Later she telephoned that the "warning" was a mistake. The lava flow was still four miles from Mrs. Hayes' home.

Aerial view

The United Press correspondent, John Burby, flew in a C-54 for an hour today only 200 feet above the ground alongside the stream of molten rock that still boiled from the crater. It was smashing and burning its way 15 miles down to the Pacific Ocean.

Burby saw lava spurting from a ragged gash on the South West slope of Mauna Loa. He followed its path to the sea. It was rough going. Heat and acrid yellow smoke filtered into the plane from a mile away while Captain Haskell Coffey wrestled with the transport in violent updrafts caused by the lava flow.

The plane nosed over Mauna Loa's 13,000-foot crest for the first look at the eruption. Lava was still spurting from the crater 100 to 300 feet under towering smoke. It fell into a bloody flood which inched South East down the mountain.

Half way down the slope it split into three fingers. One looked like a cascade of fire as it rolled 200 feet off the cliff into the ocean and sent up huge clouds of steam. The other hit the ocean some two miles to the South. To the South East of the crater gash are areas which appeared like enchanted cities. But a closer look showed they were cooling lava glowing orange and blue in the early morning sky. Scant 10 miles from the bubbling cauldron, snow covers Mauna Loa's crest. And safe on the other side of Hawaii Island is the main town of Hilo, some 200 miles South East of Honolulu.—United Press.

Saigon, June 2.

Dr. Ho Chi-minh, the head of the Vietminh Nationalist regime in Indo-China, has appointed Ambassadors to Russia, China and Czechoslovakia, according to a usually well-informed Vietnam source.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI SEIZURE DENOUNCED

Washington, June 2.

The Economic Co-operation Administration Chief, Mr. Paul G. Hoffman, today denounced the illegal seizure of about \$4,000,000 worth of ECA goods by the Chinese Communists at Shanghai.

Mr. Hoffman's statement disclosed that the Communist military authorities refused ECA's proposal to turn the goods, or proceeds from their sale, over to Chinese charitable institutions.

"What the Communists will do with the goods or the proceeds of their sale, we cannot now be sure," the ECA Chief said, adding:

"One thing is certain, however—they will try to take credit for the goods no matter how they dispose of them or what they do with the money received."

"We trust the Chinese people will know what has happened to these supplies and will understand that the American people are still interested in their welfare."

Mr. Hoffman issued the statement after getting a full report on the seizure from Mr. George St. Louis until recently, the Director of ECA's Shanghai office. Mr. St. Louis has just returned to Washington after nearly a year in Shanghai under the Communist regime. The city was taken in May 1949.

The Communists froze ECA's stocks, mostly raw cotton. This prevented further distribution, but Mr. St. Louis and his co-workers made persistent attempts to arrange for disposal of the goods with the Communists. They had proposed that the sale or use of the cotton be handled by a non-political, all-Chinese Board selected by the Communists with ECA concurrence. Proceeds would have been allocated to welfare organizations.

No answer

No definite answer was ever received. On March 14, a Communist delegation called at the ECA office demanding that all assets be turned over with no understanding as to their use. ECA refused.

Three days later, the Communists seized 22,387 bales of raw cotton and other goods. This action also ruled out the delivery to ECA of \$13,000,000 worth of cotton yarn and cloth processed from cotton previously furnished by the American agency to Chinese textile mills.

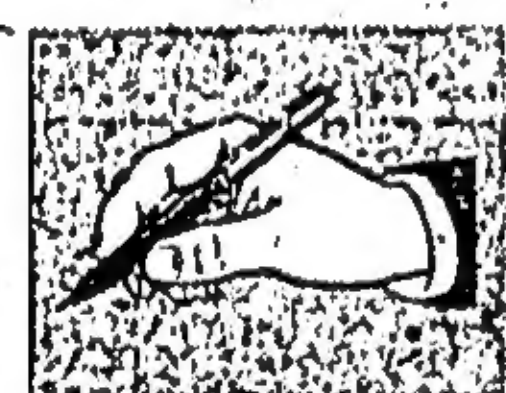
Mr. St. Louis and his two ECA associates, Mr. William H. Stubbs and Mr. Albert Koenig, left Shanghai on April 28 with other American officials. They arrived in the United States last week.—Associated Press.

UK BIRTH-RATE ON DECLINE

London, June 3.
Britain's birth-rate, which soared after the war, has begun to fall but is still well above the pre-war average.

The number of divorces, too, has begun to fall. This was disclosed in an annual statistical report for 1949 which shows that despite the drop of birth, Britain's population has increased to 49,502,000 in the year. Divorces in 1949 numbered 48,508 against 40,190 in 1947.—Reuter.

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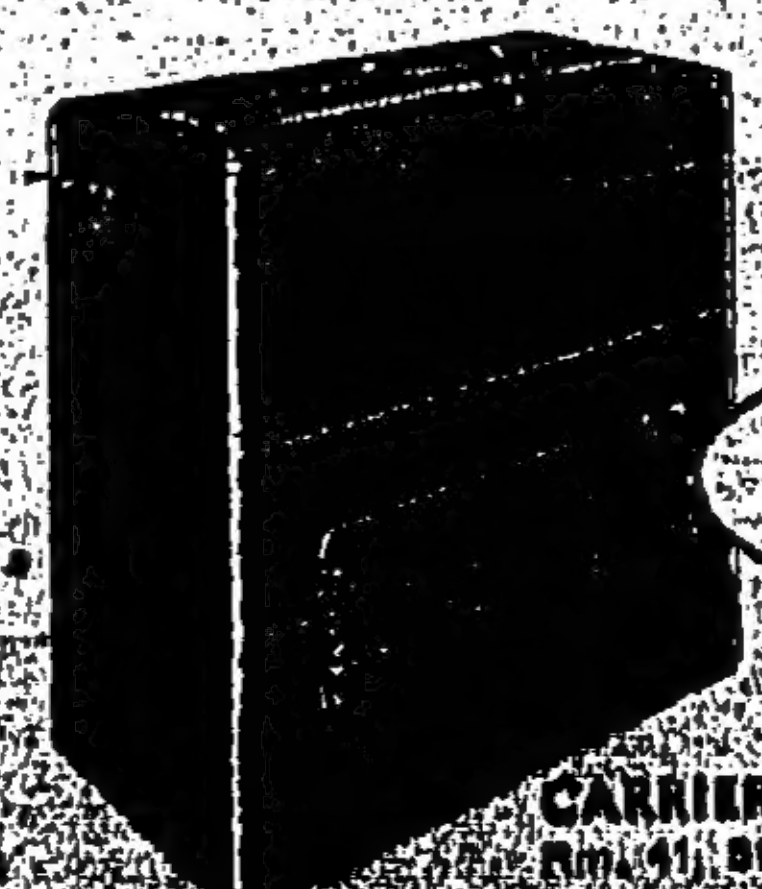
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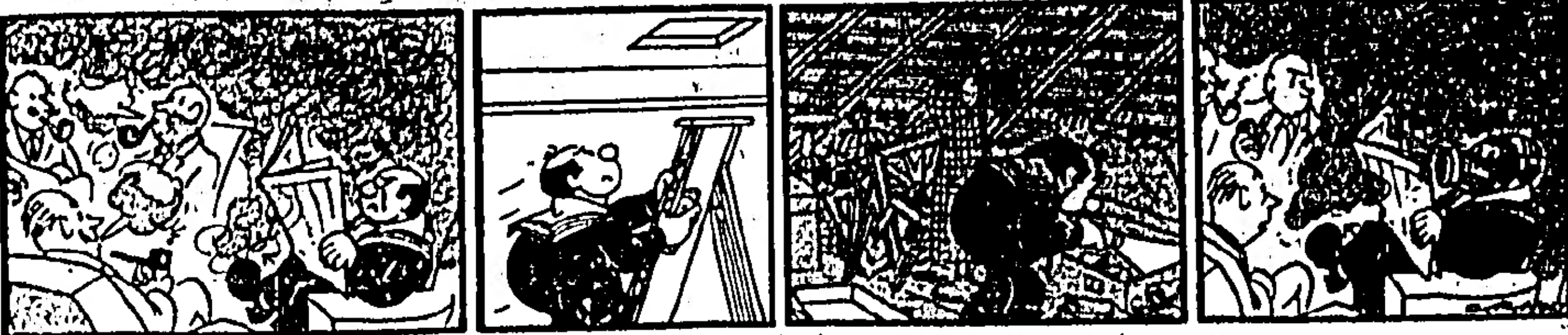
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"Bill," says his wife, "you've changed. You sit there reading the paper and taking no notice of me at all. I might as well not be here. You just don't love me any more."

"Darling," replies her husband, "I love you more than ever; more than life itself. I kiss the ground you walk on. I worship you. Your slightest wish is my command. Now, for pity's sake, will you please shut up and let me see what won the 3.30?"

And does this satisfy the little woman? No. Either she bursts into tears or (if he is lucky) she mutters, "Oh, man!" and rushes from the room. She is feeling somehow deeply offended and misunderstood.

A little later Bill, having finished the sports page, sighs and decides there are two periods in a man's life when he does not understand women: before marriage and after marriage.

Why should it be so calmly accepted that men don't understand women? Women understand women all right; obviously it's just a matter of catching on. A man's thinking is direct. His behaviour is based on logic and reason as he sees it. He finds it almost impossible to accept the subtleties of a woman's mind.

A man in love is often bewildered by the object of his affections. He seeks some reason for her every mood, some motive for her actions. The chances are that she has neither. Women often think quicker than men because they respond more swiftly to the mood and idea of the moment.

A lady in love is inclined to act on what she would call her intuition; this is a strange instinct which tells a woman she is right whether she is or not. (More often than not she is right!) Woman's intuition is very confusing to men.

Women on the other hand have none of these qualities about understanding men. They may not fathom quite how men can like many of the things they do, but that is about all the mystery women admit in men.

Women almost universally regard men as nice grown-up children who seldom know what is good for them socially.

But the truth is that women themselves retain a good deal of the child in them too. Chiefly it is their need to feel secure. There are still millions more women dependent on men, both financially and for domestic happiness, than there are of the lone-cat, independent kind.

And a feeling of insecurity is not helped by the knowledge that it is generally much easier for a man to find himself a new woman than vice versa.

The phrase "I shall never understand women" is nothing more

with, is simply a matter of being profoundly interested in her.

Taking this deep interest, he will learn to understand her emotionally—he will not merely be on the receiving end of what she does, he will consider what has led up to it. He will discover what subjects she feels strongly about, what makes her laugh...or cry.

And since a woman's social behaviour is almost entirely a reflection of her emotions, he might get a clue as to why she does the things which astonish him so much.

Of course it will never be easy to predict what a woman is going to do next because she seldom knows herself. But if a man knows his wife well emotionally,



"He's taking his statue's place while it's being renovated!"

than the escapist attitude of a man who doesn't want to take the trouble to understand women. He dwells in selfish complacency in his own world and avoids sharing himself by sighing "My wife is a mystery to me..."

A man can never hope to know what goes on in a woman's mind if he judges her by male standards. Law and order, logic and reason, are things to which women have had to discipline themselves in order to compete in world affairs; but these particular traits are foreign to the feminine mind and play small part in a woman's private life.

For a man to understand his one most important woman, the one he hopes to spend his life

he can often realise what prompted her.

It must be admitted that women are partly to blame for the men's attitude of bewilderment. The ladies like to think that the superior male finds them mysterious.

Convention, too, has got us to the point where a man who says he "understands women" is regarded as a dubious character by his own sex, and a potential bad boy by the objects of his understanding.

Whereas the kind who expresses brown-eyed bafflement seems to take on the endearing quality of a spaniel pup.

Only when you think it over—who wants to marry a spaniel pup?

PROPAGANDA

It is unlikely that Stalin's blood pressure has been adversely affected by the communiques from Lancaster House.

For the progress which these reports are scarcely sufficient to disturb Soviet policymakers, who have been watching the preparations of the democratic Powers with the detached contempt of the Hare for the Tortoise.

As that experienced political observer Mr. "Bernie" Baruch pointed out in New York, the Russians maintain their initiative because their mobilisation measures are far ahead of those of the West.

New outlook?

There are as yet few reasons outside sentiment for predicting ultimate victory for the thin-shelled Atlantic Tortoise, whose hesitant paces have hardly got him out of the starting gate.

There is still good reason to hope that M. Schuman's initiative on the eve of conferences has indeed, as President Truman has said, "opened out a new outlook" in world affairs.

Nevertheless, it is no easy task to break a log jam, particularly when Mr. Ernest Bevin is one of the largest logs within it.

Mr. Bevin's friends, like Stalin's, have been putting out some ardent propaganda about his health. The Foreign Secretary's "fitness and vigour," we learn from the Socialist Daily Herald, "have delighted and surprised his colleagues," who have been led by malicious rumours to expect to find him a tired, sick man, and the rather more disinterested Times reported him to be "at the top of his form," without, however, making it very clear how high that might be.

The evidence

All this talk seems painfully reminiscent of Sir Stafford Cripps' efforts last summer to use Christian Science treatment on the ailing pound sterling. As far as I am concerned the only "rumour" about Mr. Bevin's health have been on the one hand the painful evidence of my own eyes, and on the other hand, the alarmed and quite unmalicious concern expressed by his colleagues in countries which want more than anything in the world to see a strong British foreign policy put into action by a strong British Foreign Secretary.

The brake

These men applaud and admire Mr. Bevin's powers of recovery, but they would prefer not to see him conserving his energy only for the purpose of applying it to the brake.

No amount of expensive doctoring or nursing seems able to cure either the Foreign Secretary or the Chancellor of the Exchequer of their most serious complaint, their diehard suspicion and dislike of the Continent upon whose successful revival and defence Britain's future entirely depends.

Both these men would have known how, with the assistance of able officials, to smother the French proposal swiftly against

the green baize of the committee table.

It would have been dead and buried before world opinion had even known of its existence. Nobody understood this danger better than M. Jean Monnet, its summate knowledge of the British psychology.

The British can always find an argument for not doing something when it is first thought of. But set a bandwagon in motion and nine times out of ten they will climb aboard for fear of missing the fun.

This is true even of British Socialists, whose conservatism is so much more rigid and pronounced than that of the Tories. Here, then, was the justification of the unorthodox presentation of M. Monnet's plan by M. Schuman.

And in the space of a few days, M. Monnet, who was the man who in a few hours in 1940 hustled Mr. Churchill into making his historic but still-born offer of Franco-British Union, has set every British politician thinking.

There are some reassuring signs that the opposition which he has met has not been on strict party lines. Not all Tories approve the scheme and an encouragingly large number of Socialists are rallying to its support.

Mr. Aneurin Bevan would seem to have given it his august blessing to judge from the writings of his sycophants and disciples. Mr. Crossman is enthusiastic. Mr. Edelman approving.

Without excuse

An increasing number of Socialists are deciding that they thought of the thing first anyway, and they are welcome to their harmless self-congratulation. The spectacle of it is a cheap price to pay for their support, and no sensible Tory will cavil at it. Recently Monnet has been playing the *deus ex machina*, the all-wise stranger at the political cocktail party, who has been urging to the European guests that (to misquote Mr. T. S. Eliot's plagiarism of Buddha) "If you wish to live in peace, you must work out your salvation with diligence." And he has suggested a field in which they may do so without delay or excuse for delay.

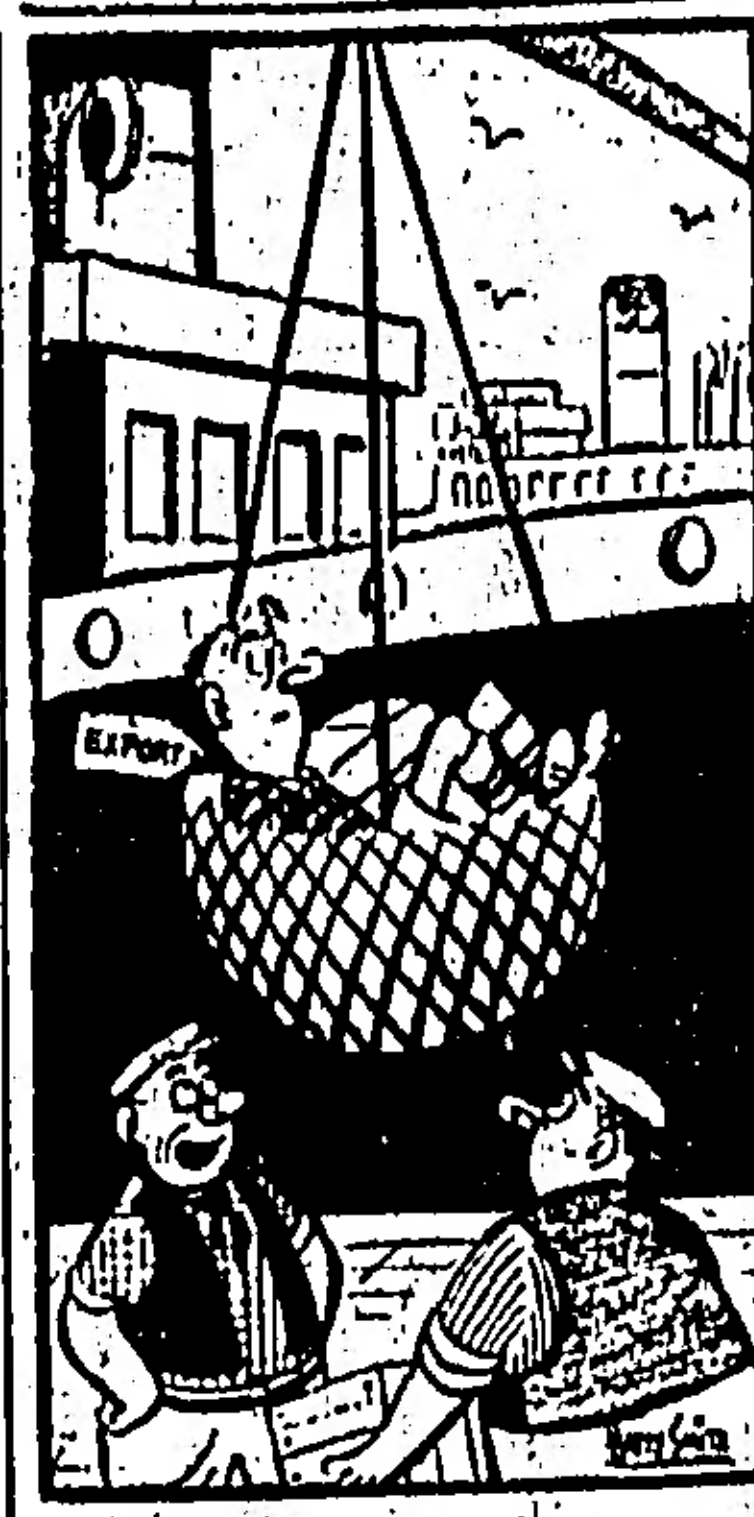
It must be emphasised that no European Power has the slightest confidence in the French scheme's success in the event of Britain refusing to become a signatory to the Treaty under which it is proposed that the Federation of European Industry should be set up.

Must join in

Not is it certain that the additional American investment for the purposes of modernisation, on which the scheme may greatly depend, would be forthcoming in the event of Britain refusing to join.

But economic as well as political self-interest dictates British participation, which might just as well be sooner as later.

Britain's ability to compete in world markets at the present time should blind nobody in this country to the danger of a Germany



"That's another of our famous footballers away to the Argentina!"

Indifferent to a falling standard of life, dumping her products upon us at an early date.

No time should therefore be lost in getting the proposed treaty drafted, in order that the experiment in functional European unity can begin.

Reason for hope

Meanwhile, on the political level, there seems reason to hope that the authority of the Council of Europe will be increased by the arrangements arrived at in London last week, and the summer session at Strasbourg should prove more useful in consequence.

Some people have deplored the emphasis placed by the Lancaster House communiques on defence. What should, on the contrary, be infinitely more deplored is the fact that the defence arrangements of the Atlantic Powers are still largely confined to the confused paper stage reached at the recent Hague Conference.

Second front

The deficiencies in Europe are bad enough. But the position on the Second Front, where hostilities are now in progress, is extremely urgent.

It is certainly fortunate for the Russian "fishermen" now surveying the British Channel coastline that our shore batteries are not so trigger-happy as those beyond the Iron Curtain.

A refusal to reply to "what ship are you?" signals would not have been so lightly treated in Russian waters; or even in the neutral Baltic, as the recent Privateer plane incident made evident.

The Soviet Union has still not returned the trawlers Lense-Lent to her during the war. Would it not be a "situation of strength" or at least a useful precaution to detain the visitors, pending the return of the war-time loan?

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No doubt some earnest persons have from time to time devised a formula for the measurement of thirst. They might, for instance, multiply the temperature (in degrees centigrade) by the humidity (in degrees of discomfort) and divide by the energy expended in the game in progress or in strokes per hole, goals per chukka, runs per over. But whatever the variables involved, the answer remains constant. Take a long glass of Rose's Lime Juice with a couple of ice-cubes floating; hold it to the light and gloat over its pale translucent greenness, rock it gently until the ice-cubes tinkle. Then put yourself outside it.

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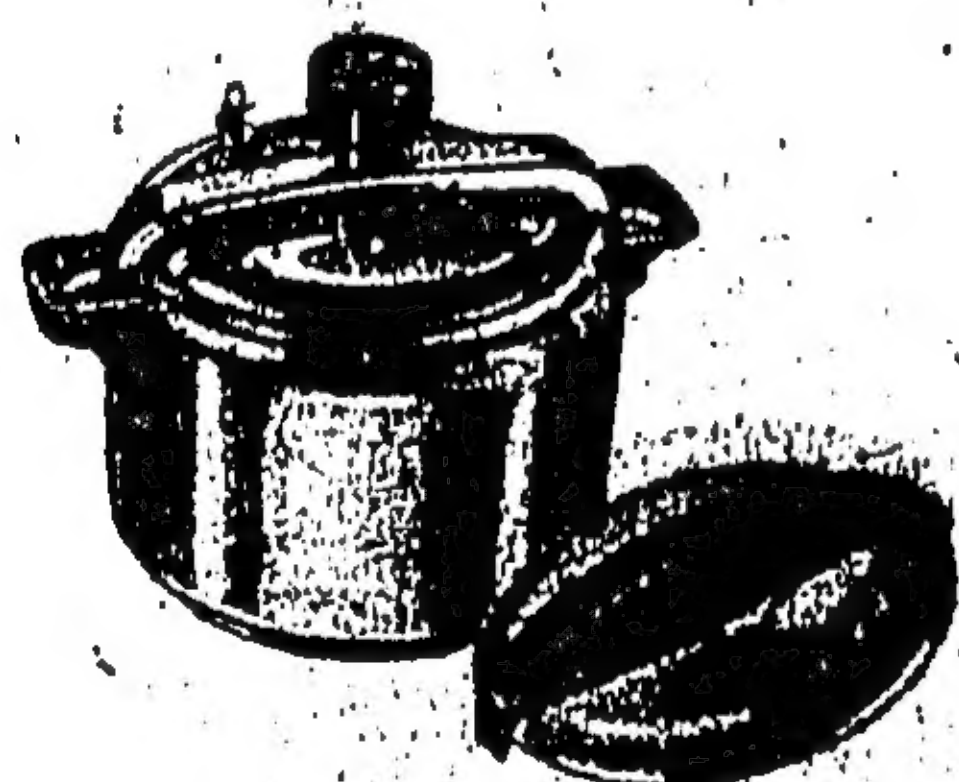
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Departing trade commissioner

Mr. Kenneth Noble, the Canadian Trade Commissioner in Hong Kong, is due to leave the Colony on June 20 for a new assignment in Cape Town. He will return to Ottawa for a short visit before proceeding to South Africa.

His departure breaks a link of many years, and Mr. Noble will be missed by the many friends he has made here. He has served in the Colony for eight years, from 1923 to 1937, and from 1943 to the present time.

Now 42 years of age, Mr. Noble is one of the youngest Canadian Trade Commissioners. The term Trade Commissioner is usually used to describe Canadian foreign service officers in Commonwealth countries, but actually



Mr. Kenneth Noble

they do consular, diplomatic and trade promotion work. This arises from the difficulty of King George VI's representatives to himself, since he is King of the whole Commonwealth, Canada as well as England.

Mr. Noble, a tall, well-built man, was born in Vancouver, capital of British Columbia, internationally known as one of the loveliest garden cities in the world, and described in "Life" magazine on one occasion as the "most English town" outside Britain.

He studied in the University of British Columbia, and emerged as a Doctor of Philosophy and Economics at the conclusion of his academic term. He took First Class Honours in Economics. He did post-graduate work at the University of California at Berkeley.

Mr. Noble joined the Dominion Bureau of Statistics in 1930, and was assigned to the organization which was then preparing for the 11th Census of Canada, undertaken in 1931. When this work was completed he was transferred to the Trade Commissioners Office—which controls the Bureau of Statistics—and began to train for the role he has since assumed.

His first task on an international level occurred in 1931 when he acted as Secretary during the Imperial Preference Conference in Ottawa, when the

Commonwealth introduced a system of preferential tariffs to cope with heavy Japanese, German and Italian competition in the field of foreign trade.

In 1933, as a first foreign assignment, he was appointed to Hong Kong as Assistant Trade Commissioner. It was the beginning of a long and fruitful association with Far Eastern countries, because from Hong Kong he moved to Singapore (1937), a visit to Bombay (1940), again Singapore (1941), Sydney (1941-1942), and back to Hong Kong after the war in 1945.

Mr. Noble was married to a Canadian girl from Calgary in 1934, at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon. His three children are symbolic of the diversity of his foreign posts. One was born in Malaya, one in India and one in Australia.

He left Singapore in February, 1942, in dramatic circumstances to avoid being captured by the Japanese, abandoning many Japanese and treacherous which he had amassed in previous years. When he arrived in Australia after trekking through many South Sea Islands and Indonesia, he had only a bundle of clothes, nothing else.

His return to Hong Kong in 1946 was ordered by Ottawa in line with the official policy to staff the re-opening Far Eastern offices with personnel who knew their localities, since records and documents were no longer in existence and reorganization depended largely on the memory and contacts of the commissioners themselves.

Actually, Mr. Noble welcomed the chance to return here. In a talk with me a few days ago he said his terms in the Colony had been fruitful from the start. He made many friends in the Chinese and foreign communities, was a member of a number of clubs, including the Hong Kong Club and the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club and the Jockey Club. He is also both an enthusiast in Rotary and an active musician.

A sportsman of considerable prominence, Mr. Noble is a genial, democratic sort of man. A descendant of English-French forebears, he combines in his person the dual elements which in part to Canada. His remarkable qualities—the French of Quebec, and the English of British Columbia.

He is tall and massive, talks English with a pleasant American accent, and is soft-spoken and humorous.

He is a sociable man, who enjoys going out, dancing, attending receptions, cocktails and the special round of golf. He takes nothing to interfere with his domestic routine. As a philosopher of life—gleaned from his years in the East—he holds to the simple fact that "The customer is always right."

He is looking forward to South Africa, because it will be a departure from the life he has known, off and on, since 1933.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

By The SCRIBE

and Betty Hutton—full of verve and mimicry. In the manner in which she rather headlong into a song, without a moment's pause, and keeps it at fever-pitch until the end.

Chinese audiences will find her mannerisms rather strange, and will require time to get used to her, but there is no doubt she is a real artist who knows her profession thoroughly.

Dotie goes everywhere with her piano, an instrument whose bulk has been no real deterrent to her in her career. She has carried it across America, across the Pacific, and from Manila to Hong Kong. Where it will go from here remains to be seen.

She was born in the Philippines of American parentage. Her native province is Zamboanga, a romantic Philippine locality where the best bananas come from.

She studied there under Spanish missionaries, and later went to Davao and Manila to work as a clerk.

One day Miss Nina Fox, well-known Filipino Impresario and Journalist, heard her singing and decided that there was a voice she could do something with. She approached Dotie and asked her if she had ever thought of singing as a career.

Dotie was intrigued, and agreed to give it a try. A week of rehearsal was followed by an audition, and she was engaged by a well-known Manila night-club.

The audience liked her from the start. They found her personality refreshing, original—a baffling mixture of boisterousness and reserve. Her carrying power



Miss Dorothy Carter ("DOTIE")

is not intense, but her voice has a warm, embracing quality, and she cuts a striking figure on the stage.

After a short appearance in the Philippines she went to the United States, where she worked in Los Angeles and San Francisco. She made the Pacific Coast circuit, and later returned to the Philippines for a long contract with the Metro Gardens and Grill, famous night-club in the Manila port area.

Dotie is an actress as well as a singer. She throws herself headlong into her singing, regarding any song she sings as part of her own experience. I was present at her opening night in Hong Kong, and I was as anxious as she to assess the Chinese reaction to her repertoire.

True, the language meant nothing—she sings in Spanish and English which most of them do not understand—but it was impossible to mistake her graces, her vivacity, the obvious sincerity which animates her

and infuses life into sentences and phrases which often merely rhyme. The sensation of the evening was her rendition of a humorous and catchy number entitled "I didn't know the gun was loaded."

In this piece she portrays the story of a pistol-packing madman who shoots this person and that, including the judge at her trial, because she "didn't know the gun was loaded."

Full of amusing phrases, and animated by the cracking of a gun, this song was received with considerable applause by the audience.

Dotie sweeps her hair backward and up, and uses little jewellery. A diamond necklace and flashing brilliants fixed in her hair are her only accessories.

She is slim, of average height, and her tropical tan is enhanced by the thin coating of lip-stick she uses. She does not resort to rouge.

She dresses to fit her numbers—in the costumes of a cow-girl, a sophisticated lady and a South American señorita.

Like most accomplished artists, she sings in different languages—Spanish, English, Tagalog. She is planning to include Chinese in her repertoire, and when I asked her about this she said she was already in training.

Dotie dresses beautifully, and looks striking in black, her favourite colour.

It is a pity that her voice does not carry, but she makes up for this by an excessive display of personality. And yet, the remarkable thing about her is that she is quite a different person when she is not singing. You would not think, listening to her soft-spoken voice discussing social affairs, that she could be transformed within a matter of minutes into a fiery Arizona lady of doubtful morals who shoots men to death because she doesn't know the gun is loaded.

But Dotie is exactly like this. Her natural disposition is retiring, and outside the sphere of the microphone she gives no indication of her professional qualities. This is another reason why audiences in the United States, Manila and Hong Kong find her different, and like her for it.

Prominent young Portuguese

A few days ago when a rare Portuguese order was conferred upon the Club Lusitano for the great part it has played in promoting Portuguese affairs in Hong Kong, the man chosen to reply to the Portuguese Consul, Dr. Eduardo Brazao's address was Mr. A. de O. Sales, acting President of the Club.

Mr. Sales spoke in beautiful Portuguese, describing his own reaction to the occasion. It was a moderate, neatly-expressed address, and it was well-received.

Now 30 years of age, Mr. Sales is probably the youngest man ever to become the acting President of the Club Lusitano; he will vacate this office at the end of June when the President returns. In addition to the Lusitano, he is also identified with the Victoria Recreation Club, of which he is Secretary.

He does not regard all his labour for clubs as a bore, because despite his youth he is very socially minded. He has sat on various civil and entertainment committees, and is regarded with great esteem by his colleagues.

After the war it was he, and a few friends who actively restored the VRG when it was virtually reduced to ruins by the Japanese and the looters. The swimming pool had been built into and all the flooring removed.

Mr. Sales is a member of a large and respected Portuguese family in the Colony. He was born in Canton. His father is of French descent, and his mother comes from an old Macao family, whose original members came to China shortly after the establishment of foreign settlements along the coast.

The elder Mr. Sales was engaged in business in those early days which called for a constant shuttling between Macao and Canton, and the family was in the habit of moving there and there with him. His children

were schooled in Macao, Canton and Hong Kong.

However, it was not until he was nine years of age that the younger Mr. Sales finally entered the La Salle College in Kowloon.



Mr. A. de O. Sales

He matriculated with honours and went to Macao to remain a year at the seminary there, learning Latin, French and advanced Portuguese.

When he returned to Hong Kong he was finally ready to enter into trade, and was given a job as assistant to his father at the Arnold Trading Company, where he has remained ever since.

Look out auntie I'm going to shoot you

By John Kirk Nelson

Impressed by reproductions I have seen recently of photographs taken by Lewis Carroll and by Bernard Shaw, I have developed an itch to become an amateur photographer.

It is on the cards, after all, that a scribbling pigmy may achieve stature equal to that of literary giants, so long as it is in other fields of endeavour.

It would take a lot of going, mind you, to match the quality of the photographs I saw, but then, I am always optimistic when setting out to conquer fresh fields.

I am one of those who see nothing funny in the famous reply made to a hostess who asked an unfamiliar guest if he played the violin: "I don't know, madam," said the guest, "for I have never tried."

Apart from juvenile experiments with an elementary camera I have never really tried to take photographs. Now an impending holiday in Scotland happily coincides with the offer from a photographer friend to take his camera and the rest of the paraphernalia with me.

Many gadgets

And what a camera—and what paraphernalia. There is a clock-work device which can enable me—perish the thought—to take pictures of myself.

There seem to be countless gadgets I must study and master between now and the time this appears. And, as the incidence of sunlight in Scotland at this time of year is variable (to put it mildly), the problem of insufficient light is solved by a flash, some marvel of engineering which, I am told, is a synchronous flash, and which I have not yet had the courage to let off.

Even the light bulbs used for this are a novelty to me; my friend explained that they do not break if thrown down or concrete. He demonstrated this apparent violation of natural laws on a pavement.

I remembered another friend who was full of theory that eggs do not break if thrown in a certain manner and allowed to drop on to a lawn. He persuaded my wife to let him have an egg for demonstration—this at the very height of the egg shortage.

Against her better judgment she gave him one, and I have never seen an egg disintegrate more successfully or thoroughly than this one.

So simple

But my friend's synchronous flash bulbs were almost as good as his claim for them; one out of three did not break.

What has most taken my fancy is the list of instructions written out for me: "You will find"

Mr. Sales is a personable young man who talks English with an accent which betrays his European descent.

Tall and well-built, he is the type of serious young man one often encounters in the halls of ancient European palaces, poring over old tomes or going over old paintings to ascertain the process of ordinary life of the oldest of old times, with its nobility and its modernity, mad rush—and chewing-gum.

For painting he reads Professor Arnould's "Toynbee's Unending Panorama of the historic scene, from which he derives comfort. Now and then, when the mood leads him, he slips over the philosophy of modernity which features these oldening years of Lord Russell—who seems to him to strike the truest note in modern thought.

He does not care for dancing—which naturally enhances his rarity. He does not smoke, and as a rule drinks very little. Fervid activity depresses him, but he is partial to sport. An honorary secretary of the oldest sporting institution in Hong Kong, it would be a misnomer if he were otherwise.

His deft handling of the executive work of two clubs—he is also identified with a committee of the Club de Recreio—gives him little time to promote his own social advancement, but people who know him say he does not mind this.

said my photographer friend, "that it's as simple as ABC if you just follow these."

"Take Auntie under the tree," these begin, succinctly, and my friend waved aside my protestations that I was not taking any Auntie with me to Scotland, nor did I have a resident Auntie in the land of the heather.

"Use one-hundredth of a second," the instructions go on, "with a fine disregard for any privacy regarding the weaknesses of any of my relatives," and adjust the aperture to 14, depending on the thickness of the foliage.

"If Auntie's really rigid," the instructions continue with a breathtaking enthusiasm, "shoot her at 1-60th at 63, ... 'Make sure,' the amazing document goes on, 'Auntie's not over-exposed.'"

I have read only as far as that. I think anything else might come as an anti-climax.

Then a bath

What can one possibly do with an Auntie who was already rigid, poor dear, before being shot—and then over-exposed? The answer dear to all numerous photographers is, we all know, in the negative.

What remains of Auntie is irretrievably put in a bath—if not of acid, at least of hypo. Poor Auntie, who was sitting there under a tree, against foliage of variable thickness, knitting away—I suppose—without a thought of the fate in store for her.

Idly she looks at her watch: it says three minutes past six. Suddenly she is in the shadow of a man on the lawn in front of her. There is no sound save the quietest click and the twittering of the birds. Auntie is shot—at 1-60th. Another amateur photographer has done his worst.

Another entry goes into a notebook: "Saturday: Auntie taken under tree."

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Eighteen months before the Spanish Armada set sail to attack England a Southwark innkeeper named Edward Fowle received notice that he would shortly be required to serve on a jury in the High Court of Admiralty.

As the court sat not far from his tavern and as local news travels fast he probably had a very fair idea of the case that was to be heard. A Cornishman, by name Diggory Piper, had been brought to London to stand trial for piracy on the high seas.

What gave the case of added interest to Fowle was the fact that the ship involved was the Sweepstake, which he had often seen moored in the Thames just below London Bridge. It might well have been that her master, Richard Hodges, of Colchester, also to be tried, had even taken ale in his bar.

A third, accused of piracy and awaiting trial in the nearby Compter prison, was the ship's gunner, William Warefield, a Bristol man, as Fowle heard told. All the 12 good men and true empanelled as jury for the trial were from Southwark. One was Richard Blower, who, like Fowle, was an innkeeper. There was also Alexander Skinner, a glover, and John Anwycke, who made barrels for a local brewery.

Except for Thomas Corselett, styled as gentleman, they were all tradesmen. There was a woodmonger, a dyer, a joiner, and a tinsmith, and also a gunmaker, William Woodward, who was to look very knowledgeable during a description of an exchange of cannon shot at sea.

And murder

The trial took place in the court of St. Margaret's Hill, a disused church, on the first Monday in October, 1588. Diggory Piper and his two companions stood accused of feloniously and as pirates setting on a Danish ship called The Angel of Denmark near unto a place called the Hague.

"Then and there," continued the indictment, "they did rob and take away from the merchant, masters and mariners, being Danes, subjects of the King of Denmark who then was and still is in league and amity with her Majesty, all such wares, goods and merchandise as they then had in the same ship."

They were further accused of murdering three Danes who were on board. To these charges the three men pleaded not guilty, and the Judge of the High Court, Dr. Julius Caesar, and other members of the Admiralty Commission which included Sir Francis Drake, then directed that the testimony of the accused should be put before the jury.

Whither?

Diggory Piper, of Launceston, in the county of Cornwall, was called. He said that he had a commission from the Lord Admiral of England and her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, which authorised him to seize any ships "appertaining to any Spaniard or Portugal, or any other person of other nations" should they be carrying grain, shot, powder, or victuals "to serve the enemies of her Majesty and this her realm of England."

In the early part of January, he said, The Sweepstake was lying off the Hague when he had noticed a ship almost on the horizon. On coming closer it was seen that she was flying an English flag, but when they were near enough to call across to the men on her decks the English flag was run down and the flag of Denmark hoisted to the masthead. Piper said he had then demanded of the captain to what nation he belonged, but had received no answer.

"In the name of God and her Majesty," shouted Piper across the water, "show what you are! Whither are you going, and what is your charter?"

Still, asserted Piper, the captain of the ship refused to state his business. Instead the Dane called him thief and robber and used such "opprobrious and un-reverenced speeches" about the Queen that, for modesty's sake, he would not repeat them.

The Danish ship then opened fire on The Sweepstake and, said Piper, three of his men were killed and others maimed. "Whereupon and not without good cause," he added, "I took them to be the Queen's enemy and encountered them."

He subdued them "after long fight" and in due course brought the ship in to Falmouth. At Falmouth after three weeks' stay he was forced by his company to make a sale of the goods, partly to relieve the necessity of his wounded men and partly, he concluded, virtuously, "to help the extremity of the poor people of the country."

The Angel had been bound for Lisbon and when they broke bulk they had found on board wheat, rye, barley, pitch, tar, deck boards, and 1,500 stiches of bacon. A full list of the people of Falmouth who had purchased the booty, including a Mr. John Filligrew, was presented in court.

The evidence of Richard Hodges, master of the ship, followed. It did not differ materially



"Diggory Piper and his two companions stood accused."

from that of Diggory Piper but he added that The Sweepstake had sailed from the Thames. He reaffirmed that they had "letters of reprisals" to take any Spaniards or Portugals.

Dr. Julius Caesar then summed up. "The evidence given and the confession of the offenders themselves," he told the jury, "are very plain to prove them guilty. Whatever has been uttered in their excuse cannot in any wise excuse them of the felony of piracy or diminish their offence."

This, however, was not a sentiment shared by Edward Fowle and his fellow-jurors. As these London tradesmen saw it, Diggory Piper had only done his patriotic duty in preventing goods being shipped to England's ever-threatening enemy of Spain. He had a specific commission granted for that purpose.

Without further ado they brought a verdict of Not Guilty, and Piper, Hodges, and the gunner Warefield were acquitted.

The 'brains'

One piece of evidence given during the trial would not have passed unnoticed if a Cornish

rather than a London jury had heard the case. It was the name of John Killigrew. They would have understood precisely the significance of the testimony by both Piper and Hodges that to him had gone the largest proportion of the booty.

From Land's End to Plymouth found the name of Killigrew was famous. He belonged to an ancient Cornish family which had produced a minister, a diplomat, and a soldier; he himself was Vice-Admiral of Cornwall and hereditary Royal Governor of Pendennis Castle.

He was also a notorious pirate. His title might suggest respectability, but he was the true son of a pirate father, and his mother—a redoubtable old lady—had once boarded a ship in Falmouth harbour at the head of a party which murdered the crew and looted barrels of pieces of eight.

To the Southwark innkeeper and his companions the fact that goods had gone to Killigrew seemed no stranger than that some had also gone to a priest, a constable, and several other seemingly respectable citizens.

What any Falmouth man could have told them was that John Killigrew did not "buy" the goods. As head of a pirate syndicate, he owned them. From his house, Arwenack, in Falmouth Harbour, with its secret way down to the water's edge, he directed his operations.

He purchased and chartered ships and paid their crews. He received and sold all their plundered booty. He provided a host of small pirates with the protection of his title, and when necessary he bribed officials whose questions were too awkward.

His reasons were far from philanthropic. Diggory Piper, if the terms were the same as others who worked for Killigrew, would not have received a crown more than one-fifth of the value of The Angel's cargo.

Why, it may be wondered, had Dr. Julius Caesar not stressed John Killigrew's sinister part in the affair? Cynics might think that it was because the Killigrews were connected by blood with Lord Burghley, the Queen's principal minister. But, as time was to show, there was a much more significant reason why a verdict of guilt should be brought against the pirates who had attacked the Danes.

That the Court of Admiralty was determined to get such a verdict may be judged from the fact that within 10 months the whole case was to be heard again.

During those 10 months, however, England had other things to think about. The menace of Spain was growing daily, and in the April of the following year Drake sailed into Cadiz harbour, fired 30 ships, blockaded Lisbon for four weeks, and captured a Portuguese ship valued at over £100,000.

One dog

It is just possible that had the singing of the King of Spain's hymn been a complete conflagration the apparently trivial case of Diggory Piper and The Angel of Denmark might have been forgotten for ever. But Drake's exploit was only to delay the inevitable. The danger of a Spanish invasion revived.

So it was that on August 14, 1587, to his intense surprise, Edward Fowle found himself once again summoned from behind the bar of his tavern to serve on a jury at the second trial of the pirates.

Of the original jury only John Anwycke, the cooper, and Alexander Skinner, the glover, were empanelled again, besides Fowle. The other nine jurors were new and one of them, William Edwards, a leather-seller, came from Bermansley.

Untold Tales of London

NO. 3:--A SLIGHT CASE OF PIRACY

By Felix Barker

The hearing hardly altered from that of the previous October except for a few details. It was recalled, for instance, that a dog as well as the three Danes had been killed in the encounter. The battle at sea was described more

fully and wittily and contrary to her Majesty's laws and ordinances committed wilful perjury. It was such a preposterous charge that probably for the first

time these Southwark tradesmen began to realise that they were involved in something far more important than small affairs of Cornish piracy. But they can scarcely have known that it was nothing less than international diplomacy on the eve of war.

Six years earlier Elizabeth had conferred the Order of the Garter on King Frederick of Denmark (although at the beginning of her

reign she had rejected his secret offer of marriage). It was an act of grace and friendship and was intended to make Denmark's foreign continual attacks that had been made on her shipping by English pirates.

Angry king

It had the desired effect. Through her Minister in Denmark, Lord Willoughby, the Queen received a vitally important promise from her Protestant ally. In the event of England being attacked King Frederick was prepared to send a fleet to help against the Catholic Spaniards.

Throughout her reign Elizabeth had secretly encouraged piracy. She knew it produced tough, seafaring fighters, brought revenue to the country, and helped to block-

ade Spain. What she could not have foreseen was that in the very year when a Danish Minister was on a diplomatic mission in London such an attack as the one on The Angel should take place.

It was obviously essential that, if the promise of a Danish fleet was not to be withdrawn by an angry king, there must be every sign of swift justice on the culprits.

Orders were issued that the Danes who had been robbed should be indemnified, and in the spring of 1588, while the two juries were undergoing searching interrogation in the Star Chamber, a letter was written by the Queen on the advice of the Privy Council to King Frederick.

"All possible means shall be used for the apprehension of pirates," Elizabeth assured him. "Although Piper that committed the piracy hath been acquitted by two several juries, nevertheless those who acquitted him shall be called in question in the Star Chamber."

In the same Act of the Privy Council in which the Queen was recommended to write this letter the first battle orders for the invasion by the Armada were issued—the exact number of ships which every coastal town should be expected to send in Drake at Plymouth.

Undaunted

Meanwhile, all unaware of what was happening around them, the two juries were slowly maintaining that they had followed their consciences and brought a just verdict. Indignantly they were denying that they had been bribed to bring the verdicts they did. Nothing daunted by the most feared court in the land, they stuck to their guns.

Exactly what happened to them is lost in the news of the invasion crisis, the victory over the Armada and the great rejoicings in July. The last we hear of the case was in the following September when it seems justice had caught up with John Killigrew, for a warrant was issued for his arrest because of failure to meet his undertaking to indemnify the Danes to the extent of £440.

The case against the men of Southwark may very well have been dropped; after all the necessity for diplomatic window-dressing had largely disappeared once the great galleons were sunk and wrecked on the Scottish coast. Although six of his companions were hanged for piracy some years later Diggory Piper, we know, went on to further attacks on the innocent ships of the Danes.

Certainly it is pleasant to think that on the victory night of July 26, 1588, when news came that the Armada was routed, Edward Fowle was back in his tavern in Southwark lifting his tankard with certain honest tradesmen of the neighbourhood who, like their country, had weathered a great crisis.



"Took them to be the Queen's enemy and encountered them."

same confession interpreted by another Dane" seemed "very slender evidence."

There was doubtless an edge to his voice as Dr. Julius Caesar gave his final injunctions to the jury: "My masters, you of the jury, have heard the evidence against the said prisoners. You are wise men. Go together and consider your verdict."

They did. They returned with precisely the same verdict as before—Not Guilty.

The next step was probably unprecedented. Because they had failed to bring the verdict the Admiralty Commissioners wanted the two juries were ordered to appear before the Star Chamber. The charge was that "not having the fear of God before their eyes

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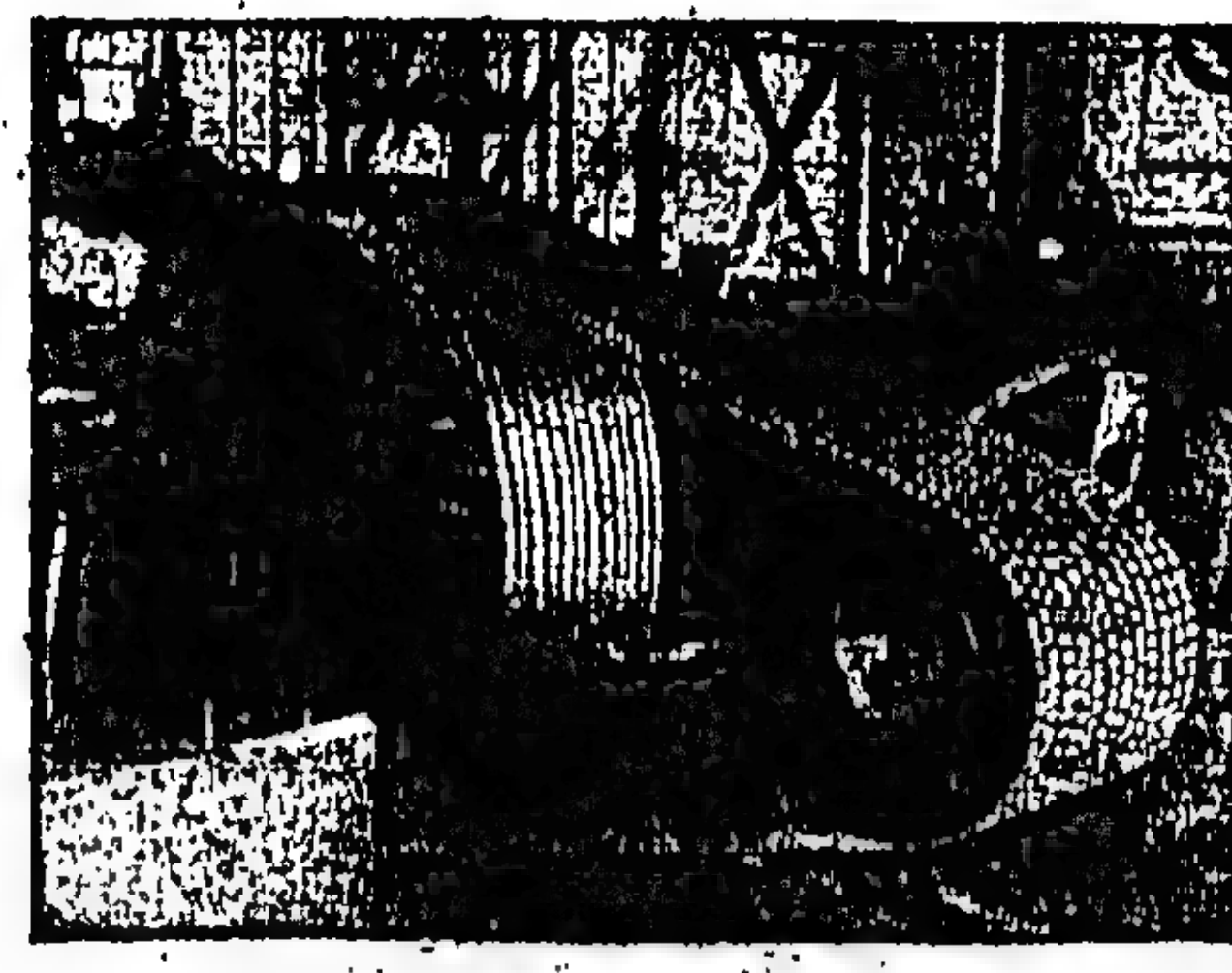
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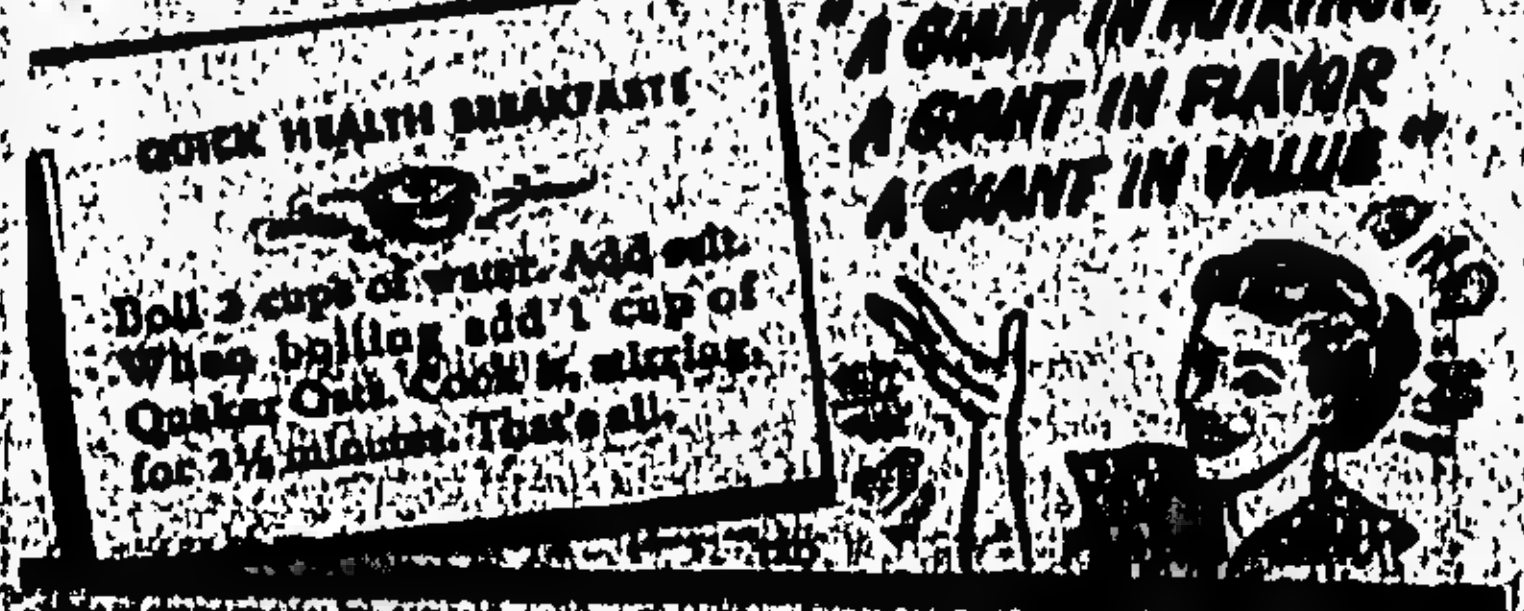


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WHAT PRICE STABILITY?

Stable prices and stable currency are a commonplace in Hong Kong and all well-ordered countries. For some little time now, the Communists in China have been preening themselves on the degree of stability gained in the past few weeks in goods and money. The yardstick employed is naturally that of the uncontrolled inflation they inherited, not the normal condition of other countries. And by that token, the achievement is remarkable. It was not gained without extreme effort or without heavy cost, and reflation has not gone far enough to revive the paralysis that descended upon industry and trade under the ruthless deflation, tax levies and Victory Bond contributions. Side by side with these things were the famine crisis and the swift development of State Socialism.

The outsider without any direct economic stake can view the economic experiments now going on in China with perhaps greater detachment than he can be expected to regard the alignment of the present Government with the Kremlin in foreign policy. The free democracies of the West have fought two great world wars at fearful cost in life and treasure to protect and preserve their free way of life. The great wealth of poetry and literature which is their heritage testifies to their devotion. It is not a pleasant thing to see so great a people as the Chinese pass over to the other side and thus add to the peril in which freedom stands.

But whether this alignment is permanent or will, as we believe, change in course of time, it is necessary to realize that the Chinese are in the throes of an economic revolution which is certain, whatever its cost, permanently to alter the whole pattern of trade in this part of the world. It used to be said of the Chinese that they were the most rebellious and least revolutionary of peoples. It is too soon yet to say that the order of this historical adage is being reversed, for only the most ruthless measures of isolation, suppression, and deception have persuaded the Russian people to put up with their grievous lot. It remains to be seen whether the rulers in China will exercise, if need be, the same severity, and the people the same docility.

We none of us live to ourselves in the present world, but it is generally conceded—not always logically—that the economic system any particular country chooses to adopt is its own business. The Soviet economic system is not one of the many other questions at issue today with the West. For some time to come trade between China and the West will continue along restricted lines, but the small indigenous firm has already shared the fate of the comprador and the Chinese middleman.

There have been changes over the years, of course, but none so great as those of today. Up to the Boxer upheaval trade was in the hands of the pioneers, many of them individuals. Then came the growth of these small houses into larger enterprises and the advent of the Chinese middleman.

How hot is the Cold War? That is the question Americans have been asking themselves ever since General Omar Bradley, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Mr. Acheson have been saying that it is getting dangerously hot and. President Truman contradicted them by declaring that the situation was now not nearly as bad as in the first half of 1946.

Where does the truth lie? What is the real estimate of the present situation? And what is the explanation for these contradictions? The truth is that the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the State Department and the National Security Council are seriously worried that the danger of an incident which could spark a conflict with Russia is real.

In a secret session before the House Armed Services Committee three men, Mr. Johnson, Secretary of Defence, General Brereton and General C. G. H. Johnson, Chief of the State Department and its Chief Russian expert, who have at their finger tips all available information about military and political conditions, stated that they felt very much concerned over the general situation.

And it was because of this sudden reappraisal of the general situation that Mr. Johnson, recently, asked for an increase in defence appropriations and for the extension of the draft.

The increasingly truculent attitude of the Russians and their sharpened desire to oust the West from Berlin are the most obvious danger signs.

Berlin Issue

The United States Government has taken, or better, reaffirmed, in a recent meeting of the National Security Council an earlier decision, namely to stay in Berlin at all cost. This has placed a much greater responsibility for preparedness on the American military who feel that their present state of preparedness is in no relation to the dangers inherent in the general world situation.

One out of every three dollars the U.S. Government is spending for defence. A few years before the last war only one of every 10 dollars went for defence.

While the limelight has been turned increasingly during recent months upon South East Asia, there has been a tendency to forget that other important corner of the continent which today we term the Middle East.

The strategic interests of the Western Powers in that area are too great for them to be indifferent to the solution of the present state of untried discord.

The policy of the Arab League, over since its armies failed to prevent the establishment of Israel, has been to refuse all recognition to the Zionist State and to boycott it in every possible way.

This policy has cast extremely unequal burdens on the shoulders of the various Arab peoples. It falls heaviest of all on the remaining Arab inhabitants of Palestine, who are in constant danger of having their homes and lands confiscated once more into a theatre of war.

It has also borne heavily on the Kingdom of Jordan, which during the war was mainly responsible for saving so much of Arab Palestine.

The Japanese invasion from 1937 onward wiped out the true Taiwan and with him the full-blown comprador. There was no real revival of these historic figures in commerce after the war, and now the State seems bent on taking over the entire mechanism of internal trade. If only a tithe of the drive and fanatical zeal of the present regime has shown in transforming this mechanism had been developed during the long years the warlords and the futile politicians adorned the scene, China might today have gone a long way toward the industrialisation accomplished so smoothly and efficiently by Japan.

The purposefulness that animates the present regime is as obvious as the drab and dreary atmosphere that today enfolds the great port city built under foreign auspices on the swamps of the Whang-poo. Whether Peking will succeed in its avowed aim of balancing the State Budget, which it now claims to be "within reach," only time can show. It does not seem possible while so poor a country, ravaged by man and nature and long neglect, has to support an immense army of soldiers and officials. The agreement signed in February, 1946, by Mr. Chou En-lai and General Chiang Kai-shek, with General Marshall as adviser, called for the reduction of the armies, then estimated at between six and seven million, to 1,500,000 within 12 months and to the permanent establishment of 800,000 in 18 months. Until something really drastic is done about this immense, costly, and unstable army, the economy of national industry and commerce will remain in a state of untried discord.

Each has also special motives for intervention, but unsuccessful part in the war, and her statesmen smart under the memory of defeats which they pine to retrieve. Saudi Arabia's part in the war was a token contribution, and its part in any future one might be no larger.

But Ibn Saud, its ruler, has been on terms of feud with the Hashemite family, to which the dynasties of both Jordan and Iraq belong; and no chance of taking sides against King Abdullah would normally be missed by him.

Jordan's action

All that being so, it was natural both that Jordan should feel driven to pursue the course which it has, and that Egypt and Saudi Arabia should combine to resist it.

Cold war's temperature

By O.H. Brandon

In spite of this radical readjustment the present military budget is still inadequate.

Growing Russian pressure continues to push the cost of defence upward. The Air Force is now asking for an additional 200 million dollars and the Navy for another 150 million on top of past requests; both are likely to get it.

Under the North Atlantic Defence plan the Western European nations are also faced with increased expenditures for defence. In spite of all this the North Atlantic nations are not sufficiently prepared yet to stave off a Russian attack. They have the plans but not the means. It is this disparity which, naturally, worries those responsible for American security, but the firm decision to resist any Russian challenge is based on two grounds.

First of all, American planners are certain that their atom bomb superiority will continue for at least another two to three years; and secondly, they say that it is most important to call the Russian bluff.

With Russian cockiness on the increase and the American attitude firmer than ever the risks are greater today than ever since the end of the war. But American planners are for more worried about the long-term prospects. On the basis of Russian steel production figures and information from other sources, it is estimated here that by 1954 Russia will out-produce the United States if the present State of American production is maintained.

By then the atom stockpile will have reached a figure in sizeable three-numbers. Then it will not matter any more whether one country has a few hundred more or less, because there is a very definite limit to how many atom bombs can be delivered during the critical period.

It is only the combination of a really well prepared United States plus a well defended Western Europe that can prevent a Russian adventure. In short, the calculation is that by 1954 a single weapon, no single country, not even the United States, could withstand a Russian full-scale attack. Only the combined military and industrial power of the West has a chance of holding Russia at bay.

When the Democratic Senator Millard E. Tydings, one of the most respected, said that it would be remarkable if a shooting war could be avoided, President Truman thought that he had gone beyond the situation. But the President embarrassed his advisers by going too far in the other direction.

Nobody would quarrel with his statement that "a President must always be optimistic," but his optimism may affect congressional action on additional defence measures and his prediction that next year's military budget would be cut again was in complete contradiction with what Mr. Acheson has been telling European foreign ministers.

Mr. Truman is facing a dilemma. In an election year it is unpopular to stress the possibilities of armed conflict. Americans hate the Russians more than they ever hated the Nazis. They have learned and know that the Communist danger ever since the end of World War I and they could be more easily provoked into a war against Russia than against anyone else, but they would turn away from a President now who, at this stage, considers a shooting war inevitable. Americans generally believe that the problem of adjusting human relations cannot be solved by scare words, manifestations and threats, and therefore Mr. Truman has to be doubly on guard if he does not want to risk losing the country's confidence and trust at a time when this is more important than anything else.

The very influential business community would also be inclined to react against talk of war. Ever since the end of the last war it has been striving to shake off governmental controls which, imposed during the war, were only slowly relaxed, and some are still in force. American business loathes controls and it fears that too much talk of imminent war would revive governmental shackles.

Mr. Truman is thus walking the tightrope between keeping the country geared to the ever-present danger of war and assuring it that he is doing his best to prevent war and improve the international situation—but by nature Mr. Truman is impulsive and anything but a tight-rope walker.

Tito says:

"Russia can't upset my rule"

By Eric Bourne

Marshal Tito is confident that the position in Yugoslavia is now so stabilised that the Soviet Union and its Cominform satellites can do nothing, short of war, to disturb the country's internal economic development and upset the present regime.

"They can do harm and they are trying to do harm," he said in an exclusive interview to me here, "but what they are doing has no essential significance for our pursuit of Socialism, the successful development of our Five Year Plan and the internal unity of our people."

He is confident too that there is no present danger of a direct attack by the Cominform on Yugoslavia and that in no circumstances would the Soviet Union risk being an aggressor. The Marshal received me at his spacious, but unpretentious, villa in Belgrade's leafy Dedine suburb. Fifty-eight next birthday, he gave the impression of extraordinary fitness and vitality—he looks almost 10 years younger than his age—combined with an air of confidence, determination and calm optimism about the future remarkable for a man who since Spring, 1946, has been subjected to a pressure and strain unparalleled in the history of relations between states.

We talked in the long lofty room where Marshal Tito works and confers with his lieutenants of the Politburo. At one end of the room is his wide desk, behind which hangs a vast partisan canvas occupying almost the whole wall. A large bowl of roses from the garden stood on the table around which we sat with the Marshal's aide and an interpreter.

No grand manner

There is about Marshal Tito nothing of the grand manner you might expect from the man who lived, in his own words, "20 years underground," spent six years in jail and later became first the active chief in the field of the war's most remarkable resistance movement, and then the dictator of his country.

He is a man in an ordinary grey flannel suit, with a soft silk shirt, quiet and simple in manner, direct and to the point in conversation, reluctant to talk about himself except to recall his youth as the son of a peasant household too poor to prior his schooling—a misfortune, at least according to something to his knowledge of the Western world, about which he displays today a far more sensible and realistic understanding than Stalin or any other contemporary leader.

This superior breadth of outlook was manifest several times during our talk. "I am employed," Marshal Tito said, "forced me to go to Germany in search of work and this was valuable experience, which taught me much about the world. As a young apprentice I saw also the hard life of the workers around me."

The first World War increased my desire and resolution to dedicate myself to the social struggle. Subsequent years of imprisonment became my university and the school through which most of my comrades in executive position today also passed."

Marshal Tito thinks the Russians under Stalin's leadership

took a wrong path even before the war. "Soon after 1943, when many new states appeared," he said, "we quickly realised that the Russians had incorrect conceptions of the relations between big and little Socialist countries. Of course, we also to a certain extent knew their past critically both as regards internal affairs and foreign policy."

The Marshal was reluctant to add more than a few words in elaboration of this latter statement beyond saying it was the way "the Russians looked at events in certain countries, the way they regarded pre-fillicite opinions of the German and the question of Poland" when the Germans invaded.

"There was a whole series of things," he said, "and we wondered if they were correct or not and we did not always come to the conclusion that they were." Yugoslavia's experience, Marshal Tito believes, will have a profound influence on developments in other countries. "But that does not mean we think our experience can or should be transplanted to other countries in any stereotyped manner. Each country has its own specific conditions. England, for example, is far ahead of us industrially so naturally her road is an altogether different one."

"Little change for satellites"

He sees little immediate prospect of any of Russia's satellites juddering for independence on the Yugoslav pattern. "This won't be easy going now. A bureaucratic centralism such as Russia's does not exist only inside the country but stretched outside it as well through the subjugation of various countries to the one. Soviet centralism goes beyond its own frontiers and becomes a brake on the development of its subject States. External resistance could contribute to a lessening of this outside control, but it requires courage and persistence."

I asked Marshal Tito about his views on coming developments in Yugoslavia, how he visualised the country of the future and when he thought the Marxist process of the "withering away" of the State apparatus of control might begin.

"This is a long process, we cannot set a date for it," he replied. "First we have to create the economic conditions so that people may receive goods, not only according to their services but according to their needs. The second condition is the education of our people in self-government in the broadest sense of the word. "One cannot determine just when the 'withering away' will begin, but there are already elements of this process at work here in our decentralisation programme. We do not want our highest leaders to have a hand in everything. We want this, the decentralisation, to go right through from top to bottom, schooling the people in a new way of self-government."

"Factories, for example, will be managed on a new basis, with much more initiative from below. Already they are getting more freedom and we want them now to begin raising quality by competing with each other to sell their goods to the consumer."

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MILITARY HELP TO FAR EAST MUST BE CONTINUED BY U.S.

Acheson on appropriation for general China area

Washington, June 2.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, in a full-dress review of conditions in Asia, told Senators today that the continuance of military assistance to Far Eastern areas of the world is essential.

He urged Congress particularly to approve \$100,500,000 for the general area of China, Korea, the Philippines and Iran.

"The future course of events in South East Asia, the Philippines, Korea, Japan as well as China Proper, is of great importance to the security of the United States," he said.

FRENCH OFFICIALS ACCUSED

London, June 2.

A report in the Leftist weekly, "New Statesman and Nation," charged today that French officials and businessmen were co-operating with the rebel Vietminh faction in Indo-China by enabling them to obtain United States dollars for the purchase of arms from Siam, the Philippines and China.

The report, contributed by Norman Lewis, said that as the importation of dollars into French Indo-China was illegal, a way had been found of getting around the law.

"This is done with the enthusiastic co-operation of French officials and, above all, businessmen. The racket works roughly this way: By greasing the palm of someone in a high place, a firm gets a licence to import certain essential goods from France. By previous collusion with a contact in France, invoice is supplied for an amount perhaps a 1,000 times in excess of the value of the goods. Sanction is obtained for the transfer to Paris of funds in payment at the official rate of 17 francs to one piastre."

The report said with these surplus francs, dollars were bought and smuggled back to Indo-China. It added: "They are then sold to Vietminh at approximately 55 piastres to the dollar against the official rate of 21—which is what they cost. From this comes the dollars required for arms which are purchased in Thailand, the Philippines and, above all, China, where large stocks of American equipment are supplied to their defence. They are becoming surplus."

—United Press.

Chinese Red broadcasts from Taipeh

Taipeh, June 2.

The captured secretary of the Chinese Communist Party in Taiwan admitted defeat today in efforts to build a Red underground to strike when Chinese Communists invade this Nationalist stronghold.

Tsai Hsiao-shen, in a broadcast to the Red China mainland, said a four-year organising drive has produced few results.

The secretary said his work became increasingly difficult owing to "marked improvements in raising the people's standard of living."

Part of the credit for increased food production was given by the Nationalists to a joint commission on rural reconstruction, an ECA agency which provides fertiliser and improved seeds and fought pests. —Associated Press.

ANOTHER VOTE ON LEOPOLD'S FUTURE

Brussels, June 2.

Belgians must vote or be fired in next Sunday's General Election when for the third time within a year the 5,000,000 electors give their verdict for or against the return of exiled King Leopold.

Belgium has been virtually without a Government for three months as a result of a constitutional crisis over the King's future. A referendum in March showed just over 57 per cent of the population in favour of the King's return and rejected the division of the country on the constitutional issue.

The Catholic-Liberal Coalition Cabinet, formed last August under Premier Gaston Eyskens, then resigned but has carried on as a "caretaker" administration.

The three main political parties—Socialists, Catholics and Liberals—failed to agree on a compromise plan put forward by the King and the Regent, Prince Charles, then dissolved Parliament.

King Leopold has declared that if Parliament returned him to the throne he would temporarily delegate his powers to his 18-year-old son, and heir, Prince Baudouin, but would not abdicate.

The Social Christians (Catholics), Belgium's strongest party, want to bring the King back. The Socialists are opposed to the King's return. They want him to abdicate in favour of Prince Baudouin. The Liberals also favour the King's "affairment."

The Catholics just missed gaining an absolute majority in the last General Election. In the Lower House, the Chamber of Deputies, they gained 103 seats, the Socialists 83, the Liberals 29 and the Communists 12. In the Senate the Catholics won 91 seats, the Socialists 53, the Liberals 24 and the Communists six. —Reuter.

Importance to the U.S.

"It is essential to this development that order be maintained, and subversion dealt with effectively. Provision of funds by Congress under the mutual defence assistance act of 1949 has been of great value in the area of China."

"The Chief Executive (Mr. Truman) has been enabled, thereby, to initiate measures designed to strengthen non-Communist States in that area. Thus we are enabled to announce our determination to support France and the States of the French Union in Indo-China in their struggle to preserve the freedom and integrity of Indo-China from the Communist forces of Ho Chi-minh."

The future course of events in South East Asia, the Philippines, Korea, and Japan is of great importance to the security of the U.S. Our policy must be devoted to doing everything within our power to prevent the further spread of Communism. "Military aid, when such aid is effective, is an essential element in our course of action. The dynamic, complex nature of the situation does not permit any loss of time. Provision of the US\$75,000,000 the President requested will enable the Chief Executive to take rapid action when and where the opportunity exists to advance our interests thereby." —Associated Press.

Fighting unaffected by monsoon

Rangoon, June 2.

The waxing Burmese monsoon has failed to cool the heat of battles between Government troops and Communists in the rain-soaked countryside.

An official statement today describing a sharp engagement near the Central Burma town of Pymanna said 55 Communists were killed when an ambush of loyalist soldiers failed.

The statement said the loyalists were marching from Pymanna, a former Communist stronghold, to Yamethin, 55 miles away.

South Burma Communists have attacked the government garrison at Thanapin, seven miles East of the junction town of Pegu, the English-language daily, "New Times of Burma," reported.

The newspaper said the attack, made at night, surprised the garrison who nonetheless drove away the Red raiders.

Other reports said Government forces have captured some Communist strongpoints in the North Burma Shwabo district West of Mandalay. —Associated Press.

Lake Success, June 2.

The United Nations Trusteeship Council today postponed until June 12 discussion of international control of Jerusalem. —Associated Press.

TEACHERS HELD IN IPOH

Singapore, June 2.

The police are holding three Chinese teachers and two students at a Chinese school in the Ipoh area for interrogation following the discovery of suspected literature in the school.

Twelve students are still detained after a raid on a Chinese high school on Wednesday. The others have been released. —Reuter.

—Associated Press.

Ho Chi-minh said to be dismissed

Saigon, June 2.

Ho Chi-minh, Moscow-trained head of the Vietminh rebel Government in Indo-China, has been replaced as Secretary-General of the Vietnam Communist Party which has been reorganised at the demand of Moscow, according to a usually reliable Vietnamese Nationalist source.

A new Secretary-General who recently spent some time in Moscow was elected in his place, the source stated but without disclosing the name of the new appointee.

The Vietnamese Communist Party was officially dissolved when the Vietminh (Communist-led Nationalist insurgent movement) was formed five years ago.

Now, as a result of the recent decisions the Communist Party, reorganised, has come out into the open again, according to the source.

The purpose of this decision was said to be to strengthen the influence of the Communists who still form a majority among the insurgents although they hold all key posts in the Vietminh Government.

Ho was said to have opposed some of the reorganisation plans. —Reuter.

WEST GERMANS APPEAL FOR POLICE FORCE

Washington, June 2.

The U.S., Britain and France are considering a West German appeal for permission to establish a Federal Police force of 25,000 men. Advance indications are that the U.S. is definitely cool to the idea.

But responsible officials told a reporter that the United States, in a move to counter Russia's arming of an East German police force, may agree to strengthen police units now controlled individually by the 11 West German states.

The State Department reported that the West German request came in a letter several weeks ago to the three Governments from Chancellor Adenauer of the West German Republic.

The Press officer, Michael J. McDermott, said the problem has been handled by the American, British and French High Commissioners to settle in Frankfurt under discussion with German leaders.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, said, discussed it with the French Foreign Minister, Mr. Robert Schuman, and the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, during the London-Foreign Ministers meeting this month.

"They did not feel, however, they had sufficient data and information to reach a decision at this time," he added.

May be turned down

Mr. McDermott said no guidance had been issued to the High Commissioners and no decision was reached at London as to the nature, size of additional police units for Germany.

Informed officials said afterward that the United States is likely to turn down the German suggestion, mainly because centrally directed German police force will arouse fears of German rearmament.

Such a move, they said, might also open the way to Russian propaganda attacks of the type the West has already directed at Moscow for rearming the East German police force.

The force is emphasised in diplomatic quarters in London, would not be similar to the force in the East Zone of Germany.

It would be under the control of the West Federal Government as opposed to the existing arrangements which place separate Länder have police units under their control. —Associated Press and Reuter.

JAPANESE WITH BAD THOUGHTS

Tokyo, June 2.

Major-General Charles Willoughby, allied headquarters intelligence chief, said today that the Japanese police had arrested a mentally unbalanced Japanese who had talked of assassinating General Douglas MacArthur.

"But there was no actual plot to kill General MacArthur," General Willoughby said, "and the man was released."

"Why should any Japanese want to kill Santa Claus?" he asked. "He has fought for the United States Government to aid to feed these people. It is all so silly."

General Willoughby said the Japanese police picked up the man, a peranakan, and questioned him. But they turned him loose after doctors said he was a mental case. General Willoughby said the report of the incident was given to him, and he occurred in the Japanese action.

"We get such reports of assassination plots several times yearly, and always look into them," he said. "Frankly, we are getting bored with them."

Other Allied officials said the unbalanced Japanese asked the police to arrest him because he had "bad thoughts, one of which was to assassinate MacArthur." —United Press.

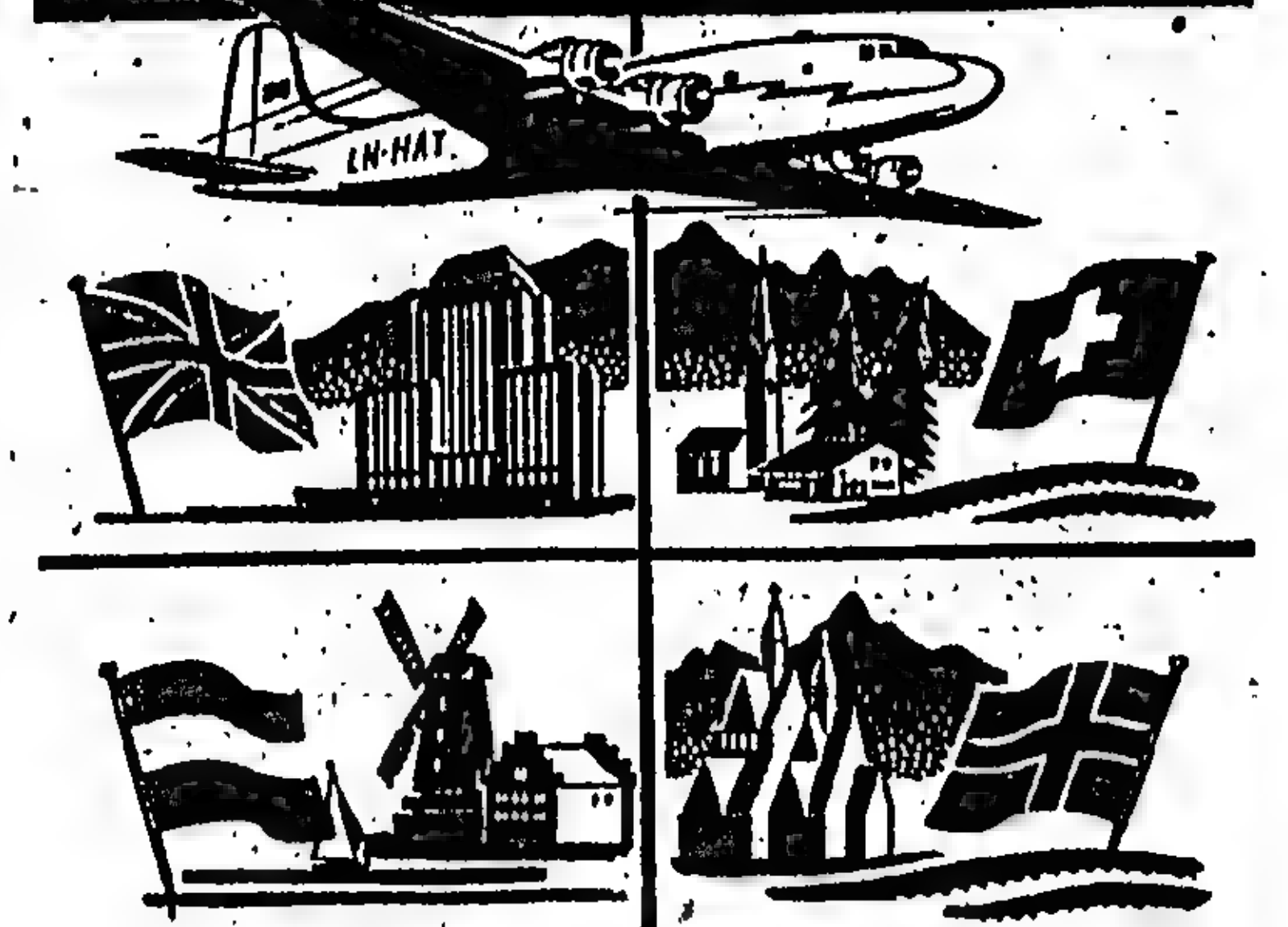
MR. LIE SPRAINS HIS ANKLE

Lake Success, June 2.

The United Nations Secretary-General, Dr. Trygve Lie, has sprained his ankle and was ordered to stay in bed today.

He has cancelled his Press conference and other appointments. —Associated Press.

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Wartime speech among stolen U.S. documents

Washington, June 2.

The Assistant Attorney-General, James McInerney, said today that documents seized in the 1945 Amerasia raid included notes on a wartime speech by the former Ambassador, Joseph Grew, on the United States' Pacific submarine operations.

Mr. McInerney said that, without knowing, he believed the notes were written by a former State Department employee, Emanuel Larsen, who was fined US\$500 for his part in the "stolen secrets" case.

Mr. Grew's speech was made before a group of Department employees.

Mr. McInerney made the statement to reporters after Senator Joseph McCarthy had volunteered to repeat his Red charges, with benefit of Congressional immunity any time President Truman was willing to open the full loyalty files on the accused persons. Mr. McInerney's statement was aimed at clearing up his recent denials to a Senate sub-committee that the Amerasia documents included "top secret" material mentioned recently in published reports.

One report said one document told exactly where more than a score of American submarines were in the late stages of the war in the Pacific and was taken from the Navy Department at a time when all such information was extremely secret.

Mr. McInerney said that while there was no such document in the Amerasia case there was a note referring to a speech made by Mr. Grew before a group of State Department employees. The note said Mr. Grew stated, "Some 25 American submarines in the Pacific are doing great damage to Japanese shipping."

He refused to evaluate the possible strategic value of the note and was unable to say how many persons heard Mr. Grew's speech. Mr. Grew was Ambassador to Japan for 10 years and later served as Under-Secretary of State.

Cable to envoy in Chungking

The State Department confirmed today that a "restricted" cable was sent to the American Ambassador in Chungking in 1944, which discussed proposals by the magazine, "Amerasia," to aid Chinese Communist guerrilla forces, then fighting the Japanese. The cable was sent on July 28,

1944, and marked, "Hull to Chungking." But there is no indication that the former Secretary of State, Cordell Hull, saw or signed the cable. All outgoing cables from the State Department are signed by the Secretary of State.

It has been charged that the cable was among those seized at the "Amerasia" offices in New York in 1945. The FBI and the Office of Strategic Services made the seizure.

A State Department spokesman said the cable contained a digest of an "Amerasia" issue, prepared by the Department's Press section and sent to missions abroad for their information. The Department still digests publications of interest and sends such to the field missions concerned.

The cable quoted an "Amerasia" article which suggested the possibility of using the Japanese, Sumo, as a "Tito of Japan." It suggested that he could help the Japanese people establish a government which will discard aggression and the ruling oligarchy.

The same issue proposed, the cable said, the opposition to Japan throughout Eastern China should be strengthened by the Allies through establishing close working relationship with the Communist guerrilla forces now operating behind the Japanese lines, and to bolster their activities with material and financial aid.—United Press.

Montreal, June 3.

The Canadian Trade Minister, Mr. C.D. Howe, today declared open the \$4,000,000 International Aviation Building here—the nerve centre of world aviation. Delegates from 40 nations, here to attend the fourth annual Congress of the International Civil Aviation Organisation, attended the ceremony.—Reuter.

Pessimistic outlook on SE Asia

Washington, June 2.
The former Under-Secretary of State, Will Clayton, said today that Soviet Russia inevitably would win all South East Asia.

Mr. Clayton predicted that any additional aid the United States extended to Indo-China or other South East Asia areas would be "money down the drain" and within two years currently-contested sections, including Taiwan, would be completely under Communist domination.

Mr. Clayton's comments on the Far East came at a Press conference where he backed the federation of North Atlantic democracies as the only realistic way to end the cold war. Mr. Clayton, who no longer holds a Government post, is Vice-President of the Atlantic Union Committee, incorporated, which advocates a convention of Atlantic democracies with a view to forming an Atlantic union.—United Press.

ECONOMIC PLAN FOR EUROPE

Paris, June 2.

The Foreign Ministers of the Marshall plan nations today adopted a five-year plan to succeed America's European recovery programme.

The plan, announced by the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation (OEEC), provides that Europe must make available (to backward areas) large quantities of capital equipment and consumer goods within the compass of its resources. Europe is to maintain its world position.

OEEC officials said that in practical operation, the plan calls for all 13 Marshall Plan areas to harmonize their economic policies so as to avoid contradictions and the waste of resources after Marshall aid ends in 1952.

"It will only be possible to social and political balance of the free world if the development of economically backward areas proceeds rapidly," the proposal adopted by the 18 Ministers declared.

The announcement noted that the United States is embarking on a similar programme (President Truman's Point Four plan for backward areas).

The 18 Ministers instructed their executive committee to find out from each member nation details of its proposal objectives for the next five years. Each nation will be asked to state its policies in order to insure the greatest possible development and best possible use of its productive resources while preserving internal financial stability.—Associated Press.

DEATH OF NOTED PSYCHIATRIST

New York, June 2.

The noted psychiatrist, Dr. Johan van Ophuijsen, aged 68, died of a heart ailment in New York today.

Born in Padang Sidemporen, Sumatra, he graduated at the University of Leiden, The Netherlands. He was associated with Sigmund Freud and Ivan Pavlov, pioneers in psychoanalysis.—Associated Press.

Briton's three months in a Rangoon prison

Rangoon, June 2.

A Briton in Rangoon said he spent three and a half months in a Burmese prison because the British Embassy declined to give him legal aid. The Embassy told him it had to consider the British taxpayers' money, he alleged.

The man, Peter Robinson, a professional photographer of Orchard Road, Singapore, has just been acquitted by a Burmese magistrate of a charge of criminal misappropriation brought by a businessman here.

The magistrate, allowing Robinson to leave the court without a plea upon his character, said his voluntary actions proved he was an honest man. The magistrate observed it was a pity the prosecution was ever brought.

Robinson, former NCO in the British Army, started a photographic business in Singapore after his Army discharge. Last December he came to Rangoon representing a Chinese firm hoping to do business with a local firm in war surplus goods.

Later the firm's junior partner, Shan Bo, gave Robinson Straits \$1,200 to purchase a camera in Singapore. When Robinson returned to Rangoon without the camera or the money, Shan Bo accused him of misappropriation.

Robinson, in evidence, produced an affidavit showing he had made over the money in the form of a crossed cheque to Tan Noh Teng of 351 Victoria Street, Singapore, to purchase the camera. He testified his stay was too brief for negotiation of the cheque or purchase of the camera.

Held in goal

Robinson told reporters here that when he was arrested on February 13 he asked the British

Embassy for help, as he was without sufficient funds.

He said that when he declined to disclose his address in Britain because he did not wish to worry an old lady his mother, 10,000 miles away, the Embassy lost interest in him.

Robinson said the case was adjourned repeatedly because he was not represented, legally. He was held without bail and incarcerated in the Rangoon Central Jail.

He said that one British lawyer demanded a fee of Rupees 1,002 (£75) to defend him. As he was unable to meet the demand, Robinson again approached the Embassy but said the Embassy told him it had to consider the taxpayers' money.

Robinson asserted the only help the Embassy gave him was to obtain for him through the Colonial Secretary's office at Singapore the affidavit which proved his innocence.

Vice-Consul's help

He stated the Embassy did not change its attitude towards him even after the affidavit arrived. One of the Vice-Consuls, W. H. Parkin, however, gave him Rupees 25 (about 37 shillings) out of his own pocket to buy extra food in goal.

But 104 days inside a prison not really hygienic have left their mark on the good-looking six foot three-inch photographer. The mental strain and his friendless condition in a strange city caused him to shed 20 pounds of his normal 184 poundage.

Robinson paid tribute to the Burmese lawyer, S. N. Maing, who fought his case without a fee because "he felt sorry for me."

He said, "Maing's gesture gave me new courage and hope. He was grand."—Associated Press.

ATOMIC NEUROSIS

Oxford, June 2.

Britain's atomic research chief said today the world shows symptoms of coming down with "atomic neurosis." Sir John Cockcroft, head of the Government atomic energy laboratory at Harwell, declared that in his view the horrors of the hydrogen bomb have been overrated.

"The suggestion has been made that this reaction would enable all life on this planet to be destroyed by a single event," he told an Oxford University meeting.

"I believe that these statements are greatly exaggerated." Sir John continued. "There is a great danger that fear of the atom may produce an atomic neurosis and even hysteria in some quarters. In fact, we have already seen some evidence of this in the world."

"In Britain we have lived dangerously for so long that our nerves are perhaps shattered."

"I believe that with the steady judgment and the firmness which comes from full knowledge and understanding we can come safely through the difficult years ahead."—Associated Press.

ATOM SCIENTIST GETS MEDAL

London, June 2.

The British atom scientist, Sir Edward Appleton, has been awarded this year's Royal Society of Arts gold medal for outstanding services to science and industrial research. It was officially announced today.

Sir Edward, who as head of Britain's Department of Scientific and Industrial Research during the war, organised Britain's atomic research work and played a major role in the development of radar, was awarded the Nobel Prize for physics in 1947 for his contribution in exploring the ionosphere.—Reuter.

"Russia can't upset my rule"

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The Marshal disclosed for the first time that the decentralisation idea is being carried also into foreign policy. "There," he said, "we are placing our work on a broader basis by enabling the individual Republics to seek export possibilities outside and above the central plan laid down by the central government. We want them to use their initiative in these things, to help themselves and the country as a whole."

He envisaged also a new spurt in intellectual developments, with the Yugoslavs having "free access" to the flow of ideas in the world through the best literature of the past and the present. "We should like to have these things right now, but we still have to use our foreign exchange to buy machines."

Good relations with Britain

The Marshal spoke warmly of relations with Britain. "I think we are on a good road," he said. "Our relations are going very well, with tolerance and respect for our history and traditions on both sides. This is largely of course a matter of cultural exchange and despite our financial difficulties we are sending as many people as possible to Britain and are accepting delegations here."

"The trade agreement is working well and without difficulty. We have already begun to feel the benefits of the raw materials, but we shall have to wait another six months to a year before we get the effect in capital construction and investment."

Of Germany Marshal Tito spoke with that absence of outward feeling which is a phenomenon of a country which suffered so long under German hands during the war. But he showed caution in his reply to a question about the prevention of a new German aggression, because Germany is not the only country involved. A divided Germany, with one zone under Western and the other under Russian influence, he said, would always be an element of unrest in Europe.

Third path

"But when Germany stands on her own, when the occupation troops are gone, then I think the German people will find the strength within themselves to draw a lesson from their past catastrophes and develop in the right direction. This development, I believe, will not incline to the policy of either East or West, but towards some kind of third path, not Fascist but really democratic."

I asked Marshal Tito if he feared any food crisis this year on account of sowing deficiencies reported in the private sector of agriculture, which still occupies 80 per cent of the arable land. He replied on a confident note: "This year's sowing plan has already exceeded last year's and there will be a better crop. This is the first time since the war that we have been able to look at things so optimistically, because it seems there will be great quantities of grains, fruit, fodder and so on."

Outside in the garden Marshal Tito stood while I took some pictures. He talked about the roses. "We have had hundreds of this spring," he said. Then he added: "This sunshine is too hot. There will be rain this afternoon. That afternoon the rains came."

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AUSTRALIAN LETTER

The big event

Big event on the Australian scene in the last few weeks has been the British Commonwealth Conference on South East Asia. It opened up with no greater fanfare than it deserved, its official announcements rang with the proper sentiments, it inevitably hit a few snags in its progress, but now that it's over the residual gain is solid, if not spectacular.

A spectacular outcome to discussions of such complexity as the problems of South East Asia would have been more than a pipe dreamer could hope for; a sane, solid and reasonable basis of agreement and help is more than the more cynical really expected. The conference really emanated from the Colombo Conference in January, and the decisions reached there were virtually the point of departure of the South East Asia talks.

That the British Commonwealth should agree to a £8,000,000 fund for the technical development of those parts of South East Asia needing it, does not sound impressive these days when America's aid to Europe runs into astronomical millions, but the fact that the need for aid is accepted, that a definite programme is envisaged, that a start should be made within 12 months—all these things do show a genuine recognition of a problem that has world wide implications, and also shows a capacity of co-operation that makes the conference a hopeful starting point.

Anti-Red bill

On the strictly domestic scene, the Anti-Communist legislation still holds the centre of the stage. It's an interesting set-up with all sorts of people who oppose some of the implications of the Bill holding their fire because they want to be identified with Communism and other people who have been put into the measure on the grounds of Democratic principle.

Most spectacular move in the generally cautious and averaging manoeuvres about the Bill was a "strike" by Labour Senators, who refused to attend the Senate and consequently left it without a quorum. The move, which doesn't commit anyone to anything, is considered to be a preliminary counter for the presentation to the Senate of the slightly modified

Communist Bill. If the Labour Senators maintain their boycott, there's a prospect of a double dissolution of the two Houses of Parliament and that would mean that an election would be fought in both Houses, strictly on the Communist issue.

Despite some early rumblings, no serious industrial storm has broken out over the measure. At the moment there's a lot of interest in the claim by the Trade Unions for a £10 basic wage (at the moment this is just short of £7) and the attitude of the Metal Trades workers who've been excluded from the hearing because they'd imposed a ban on overtime in an attempt to jack up rates generally. Since they've been excluded they've sought a 50 per cent increase in margins.

Wool men have been having a wonderful time for the last few seasons. In the first 10 months of the current season £213.9 millions of wool have been sold—an increase of 47 per cent on the same period last season.

While everything is blooming so gaily Commerce and Agriculture Minister McEwan is urging the wool men to take heed of the future and accept the principle of a levy against the evil day, which at the moment is hard to envisage, when prices may drop and some fund may be needed to maintain stability.

The medical world is a bit confused. The National Health and Medical Research Council is concerned about the danger of smallpox entering Australia, and has urged a wide programme of vaccination. That meets with the approval of the Australian medicals, but they're less impressed with the Council's refusal to establish a fund for research into poliomyelitis, which is said to be increasing. The medical men want a £100,000 fund.

For a few weeks now there have been rumours of Australian discontent about the dollar set-up and suggestions that some Ministers feel that Australia is being unfairly treated. It was also suggested that Federal Treasurer Fadden would soon make a trip to London and Washington to clean the whole mess up. What hopes were held have been smartly knocked on the head by Treasurer Fadden who says he's not going anywhere to look into dollars and calls the whole story a kite.

Of this and that

Australia is to hold the 1950 Olympic Games in Melbourne and a few minor headaches are occurring already. There is, of course, the housing problem about which people are wagging early premonitory fingers; there's a bit of concern that the Games might clash with the Melbourne Cup, though the more bland nature of the sporting people themselves. Fencers and gymnasts would like a "chance" to compete—and now the theoretic angles are trying to hook on to the hand wagon. Representatives from Victoria, New South Wales and Tasmania are urging that fly casting should be included in the contest, though none so far have suggested that there should be a competition for really catching fish.

One of the oddest misapprehensions of recent times confused a motorist in New South Wales. He was driving along the Hume Highway early one morning, saw what he thought was a low ground fog, drove right into it and then discovered that it was a flock of sheep. Before he realised his mistake the sheep had bitten the dust, none fatally, and the driver had to clear his mudguards.

Another impressive bit of nonsense occurred in Sydney. De-

pite the irregular weather that's been endured by this sun-loving city, open air concerts by the Sydney Symphony Orchestra, under the baton of world famous conductor Eugene Goossens, have been drawing tremendous crowds on Sundays. At one of the concerts they played Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture in which there are some noisy bits. Just to accentuate the atmosphere of realism, four 25-pounder guns shot off 15 blank rounds at the part in the music where guns are supposed to thunder. Everyone was deeply impressed, particularly the kiddies, who had to be kept away from the guns by a cordon of artillerymen and police. Among the adults impressed was Charles Graves, conductor of the BBC's Northern Orchestra. He's in Australia on exchange with local conductor Joseph Post. This is the first time that the oldest concert goes can remember the use of actual guns in the work. Nearest approach to such realism was during a picture show performance where hunters played the part of cannon.

One of Sydney's greatest woes recently has been an invasion of Argentine ants—busy little black ants that have invaded pantries, eaten up household supplies, ruined gardens and even attacked sleeping women. Perth, in Western Australia, has been suffering from the same infestation. Trouble in Sydney has been that during all the wet weather the cunning ants have marched into the houses and left the sudden gardens. Appeals have been made by one municipality for financial aid to combat the pests, but the authorities say that it would cost £250,000 to rid the place of them. What's needed is a local Pind Piper to lure them into the Harbour.

Australian women are feeling pretty proud of their sex because of Mrs. Mary Fenton Woods who has been appointed chief of the Status of Women Section of the Human Rights Division of the United Nations. Mrs. Woods, who has a child of her own, was the first woman graduate in Law from the University of Adelaide, the first woman to be called to the Bar in South Australia and the first woman in the British Empire to become a Notary Public.

She practised as a barrister when she was 21 but her main interest is sociology (she's a bit sociological, lawyer) and child welfare reform.

Australia is a great place for horse racing and betting thereon, but the betting laws vary considerably from State to State. In New South Wales starting price betting is one of the top enterprises, but it's illegal. Now it's been left to the Northern Territory to set a course. The Legislative Council is presenting a Bill to legalise starting price betting on races in the big Southern centres of horse racing. One cynical interpretation is that they couldn't keep anyone in the Territory without this concession to national temperament and practice.

The King's School, one of the nation's most venerable houses of learning, has had a magnificent windfall in a bequest from the late Mrs. Violet Madeline McAnsh. The bequest is of £400,000 and, to the delight of the school authorities, has been declared to be free of Federal Income Tax.

Another matter of money that has created a lot of interest was a claim by Sydney architect Jack Francis Hennessy against the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Brisbane, Dr. Duhig, for £35,720 for fees due for the designing of the still uncompleted Holy Name Cathedral in Brisbane. Hennessy was awarded £25,720, but the Archbishop will appeal.



"Yes! What was that you were saying, darling?"

Spain was not mentioned at the Big Three talks in London. Other European powers are against any thoughts of a Pyrenees Line strategy. But American and British Chiefs of Staff are concerned at the UN restrictive clause on defence equipment being sold to the Spanish Government.

Recent Spanish inquiries in London for military equipment have been turned down.

Improvement of British trade with Spain is still hampered by a directive from Mr. Devlin that no official Spanish trade delegations are to come to London. He prefers any trade talks to be held in Madrid.

Britain's meat dispute with Argentina will break out again this summer. Britain will offer £90 a ton instead of £97 for all future contracts.

The Ministry of Food is prepared to switch its orders from Argentina to other markets.

Uruguay has offered Britain a long-term meat agreement in the hope of forestalling the fall of prices.

Belgium has protested at lavish expenditure on European publicity by the Marshall-aid offices in Paris.

The Soviet journal, "Red Fleet," claims Nelson copied his strategy from a contemporary Russian admiral.

Expect no changes in the high command of Western Union Defence Forces. No new military post in England is planned for Field-Marshal Montgomery.

General Eisenhower will not become the chairman of the

Inside information

By Mercury

Atlantic Powers permanent council.

The British Embassy in Prague has intervened on behalf of four Englishwomen, married to Czechs, who have been refused permission to return to England. Czechoslovakia has rejected British requests to give them travel facilities.

The Jordan Government is negotiating in London for larger releases of the remainder of its £10,000,000 frozen sterling assets. Britain will not unfreeze more than £125,000 a month.

Global strategy talks will occupy the annual British military staff conference at Camberley now that the Indian Commander-in-Chief and Dominions Chiefs of Staff are in Britain.

The co-ordination of Asian defence strategy with the Atlantic front will be discussed.

Four Indian intelligence chiefs from New Delhi, Madras, Bombay, and Bihar are visiting Britain in turn and studying Communist methods of infiltration.

The New Zealand Government has received thousands of inquiries since it announced its assisted immigration scheme for British married couples on May 3.

Expect big changes in U.S. top commands this summer.

The Malan Government has collected a black-list of critics of

its nationalist and racial policy in South Africa.

Israel is negotiating with Italy for a free port at Bari, through which to conduct her trade with Europe.

General George Marshall has been offered chairmanship of the Atlantic Powers permanent council in London. His health has improved since he resigned from the U.S. State Department in 1949.

France has asked Great Britain to increase her champagne imports.

A new South East Asia Command to face the Communist armed menace is being discussed here with visiting Dominions Chiefs of Staff. General Cariappa, C-in-C India, is likely to become Supreme Commander. His headquarters would be New Delhi, with area headquarters in Singapore and Colombo.

Thakin Nu, Burmese Premier, has declared that Burma will go the whole way to join the front against Communism. He has assured Mr. Acheson that Burma will revise her legislation to give security to foreign capital.

The Australian Government has been advised that it will have to continue rationing butter at home if exports to Britain are to be maintained.

French steel interests are still mistrustful of the Schuman proposals for a West European steel merger, which would increase government controls and lower French steel prices.

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Did former Nazis bribe their way to freedom?

Meet the Bobby of all trades

By ARTHUR LA BERN

The pipe was made from an old-fashioned bed-knob and a bamboo cane. From it came the sickly whiff of opium.

Beside it on the table was a phial of human blood. Next to that was an automatic pistol, a rubber cash, and a brass knuckleduster. Against the wall was a rifle.

Several men were gathered round the table—but this was no gangster's hide-out. It was no set for a Dick Barton film. It was a classroom, and beside the table was a blackboard.

It was the school of the Port of London Authority Police, where 35 young men are training to be dock policemen and detectives. Their instructor and lecturer: Inspector Harold Hartley.

The dock policeman must know all that the normal "Bobby" knows, and rather more besides. He must be conversant with the Merchant Shipping Acts as well as Morley's "Police Law." He has powers of arrest inside the docks—and for one mile outside them.

He must be familiar with the 500 different types of passes which control men, vehicles, and merchandise entering and leaving the docks.

He must be able to recognise dangerous drugs at a glance and diseases in animals, no matter whether they be sheep, cows, or performing bears. He must be able to recognise counterfeit coin and forged currency.

What he must know

As well as being a policeman he must be a bit of a seaman in his knowledge of ships, a bit of a lawyer in his knowledge of mercantile law, and a bit of a doctor.

The phial of blood on the table had been taken from a Canadian seaman, and laboratory tests proved him to be a drug addict. The opium pipe had been seized from a Chinese seaman, and the weapons from dockside thugs and thieves.

Inspector Hartley held out his hand. In it was what looked like a plug of well-chewed tobacco.

It was opium, seized from a Chinese. In a glass jar were "plugs" of opium shaped like rubber heels. They were, in fact, found in the rubber heels of Chinese seamen fleeing from ship to shore.

Said Inspector Hartley: "We don't worry too much about Chinese-smoking—opium—while they are actually on board ship in the dock—with many of them it is as natural as smoking a cigarette. But we have to take action when they bring the stuff ashore."

Opium smuggling, which reached its peak during the war years, is now on the decline. In 1943 a ton and a half of opium was seized by the PLA Police. One Chinese regularly smuggled in 14 lb. in pockets sewn on the inside of his vest until he was caught in a PLA swoop.

The Chinese seaman's vest is now one of the exhibits at the dock policeman's school.

Another exhibit is an innocent-looking little chicken bone. An alert policeman searching a Chinese found that a hole had been bored down the centre of the bone so that it could be used for opium smoking.

Today opium takes second place to hemp and marijuana cigarettes—"reefers"—smuggled in by Indians, Turks, Arabs and Africans.

Reefers sell at £1 a piece in the underworld of London's West End.

While there has been a marked increase in the use of smuggled dangerous drugs, there has been a substantial decrease in largescale of cloth, tobacco, and spirits.

A thousand former Nazis are waiting anxiously for the outcome of the biggest "graft" trial to be held in Germany since the war.

If the three accused—senior legal members of the Stuttgart "denazification court"—are found guilty, many former Nazis may find themselves in trouble.

For they will have been shown to have paid large sums to the accused to secure their denazification, and to have participated in bribery of public officials, intimidation of the police and flouting of the orders of the U.S. occupation authorities.

Already the trial and its repercussions are worrying British and U.S. officials throughout Germany.

By

Antony Terry

Gloomy news

The scandal broke in February when U.S. High Commissioner McCloy, faced with German attempts to stop investigation of the denazification bribery charges, called for a thorough investigation and accused German officials of "trying to put the scandal under the carpet."

Senior German officials indignantly demanded that Mr. McCloy should explain his statement. In reply the U.S. High Commissioner accused them of attempting to suppress information helpful to the investigation.

A month ago Mr. McCloy sent his personal representative, Dr. Weigert, to Stuttgart to speed up the proceedings and urge that the accused should be brought to trial.

But Dr. Weigert, chief of the U.S. German Legal Division, brought back gloomy news to headquarters in Frankfurt.

"It would be better not to intervene," he advised. "Intervention would put the clock back and force us to resurrect a series of scandals on the pattern of the one in Stuttgart."

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The men now charged are accused of heavy bribery and violation of justice, incitement to commit crimes and perjury. The public prosecutor, already accused by the U.S. authorities of lack of vigour in presenting his case, has asked for maximum sentences of only 20 months imprisonment.

The charges are based on 852 denazification files which the police claim prove that the accused received £3,500 from their "customers"—all former senior Nazis and SS officials.

Used by the American authorities to continue the investigation, the police probed deeper and found that apart from the accused many high officials of the provincial government were also involved.

The Minister—President of Württemberg-Baden, Dr. Reinhold Meier, was found to have personally granted 10,000 pardons to convicted Nazis to enable them to return to public life.

In one case, the police said, Dr. Meier used his influence through connections in Switzerland to secure the release of a nephew of a wealthy Stuttgart businessman who was in a Nazi concentration camp.

Karl Stöckle, the Acting Minister of Denazification, was found to have stopped denazification proceedings against Dr. Schacht, Hitler's financial wizard.

Gang methods

But despite the growing weight of evidence in their hands police enthusiasm for the investigations waned after the German Public Prosecutor started issuing warrants for the arrest of police officials.

Charging them with having given information to the Press in violation of a local security law, he later withdrew the warrants. But the police hesitated to resume the investigations, despite U.S. pressure.

Their disinclination to be mixed up in the scandal was increased

Royal music composers

A great deal of music has been written for royal occasions and Britain even has a Master of the King's Music, Sir Arnold Bax. Now the BBC has presented a programme of music written not for royalty but by royalty. This, which was introduced by Herbert Murrill, Assistant Music Director of the BBC, contained an assortment of works composed by royal personages. Outstanding among them was Henry VIII. King Henry was a man of wide culture and an expert musician who played the recorder, the lute and the virginals. A miniature of the King's Psalter shows him playing the harp and it is likely that he performed on the viola, too, for he understood perfectly the type of composition suited to them. This unusual programme includes his dance tune for four viols, a charming song, "Pastime With Good Company," and an exquisite hymn, "O Lord The Maker Of All Things." It is interesting to reflect on this aspect of a man who, whilst originally deeply religious, cultured and accomplished has come to be remembered chiefly for the grosser side of his character. His music was followed by a melancholy and charming little song for voice with lute, "Death O Death Rock Me Asleep" which is attributed to King Henry VIII's second wife, Anne Boleyn, the mother of Queen Elizabeth. Elizabeth herself did not compose or, if she did, there is no record of her works. But she greatly loved music and the programme includes "As Vesta Was Descending," by Thomas Weelkes, one of the celebrated collection of twenty-one madrigals, "The Triumphs of Oriana," published in her honour in 1601.

John IV of Portugal, a highly trained musician, is represented by a sensitive and tender setting of "Crux Fidelis." Other interesting pieces by various royal ladies and gentlemen were a work for solo soprano and harpsichord attributed to King Charles I, a pretty little piano piece written by Princess Charlotte, the unhappy daughter of George IV, and a drawing-room ballad, "All Silent Were the Fountains," by Queen Victoria's husband, Prince Albert, a prolific composer whose hymn tunes are still sung in many British churches.

Last of all came a composition by a living royalty. It was a jagged march "Mallorca" written by the Duke of Windsor when he was Prince of Wales. At that time the Duke was greatly interested in pipe music and was said to have derived much pleasure from writing his stirring march.

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"We're giving you a surprise party on the 16th, Ruth—do you mind if we have it at your place?"

Slimming-the Yard way

By Jack Thomas

Because a Scotland Yard man worried about his blood pressure, hundreds of overweight men and women have found a new way of slimming. Here's how it happened.

The officer concerned was an "ace" Flying Squad driver. A year ago he weighed 19 stone. His blood pressure began to play tricks, and he went to see Scotland Yard's chief physician.

"First job," said the doctor, after making a thorough check-up, "is to get rid of some of your excess poundage." He worked out a slimming course which employed no drugs or pills—and no fasting.

"Try this for seven weeks," he said. "Then come back and tell me how you feel." There was no doubt about the results.

At the end of the course the driver had lost 43 pounds. And though, over a period of months, he regained 14lb., he has remained steady at 17st. ever since. His blood pressure has ceased to give him trouble, and he says he feels fitter than he has done for years.

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Between Ourselves

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Make-up for the older woman

By CLAUDIA

It is the skill born of long practice which stands the older woman in good stead and lends the right, light, sure and careful touch to her make-up.

She needs to call art to her aid, but it must be discrete aid... never blatant. The young girl may be able to get away with an over-lavish make-up, but not the older woman, for too much make-up never disguised a wrinkle yet—on the contrary, it is far more likely to emphasise them.

Any startling type of make-up, in unkind to the older face, "Fashion" colours, however popular, are, after all, unnatural. If used at all—and if you are fashion conscious you will naturally want to use them—they must be used with restraint, just a hint of the popular tint of the moment in a shade as near to nature as you can find.

Basic colour is a fundamental factor. The very colour of the skin is apt to alter as we grow older. This alteration is usually a deepening of the skin pigment and is caused by changes in the chemistry of the body. Alterations in the balance of diet and/or supervision, of course, can prevent much of this darkening of the skin and avoid the discolouration which often appears on the throat and neck.

Check on colours

If you are dissatisfied with the effect of your make-up, if it doesn't seem to do as much for you as it used to, check on your colours. If they are the same shades you have used for years, the probability is that they do not "match" any more.

The foundation, if you use a tinted one, should be actually a little darker than your skin, and the powder you use over it a little lighter to give a flatteringly natural effect. If you use an untinted foundation, then your powder should be just a hint deeper than your skin colour.

Should the skin have gone a little sallow, use a warmer tinted powder—rose peach or light rose tan—and you will be delighted with the difference. And if your skin remains fair, make the most of the fairness by using a little soft pink rouge and a rosy

lipstick, and encourage your hair, if it's inclined that way, to go really white, by giving it a blue rinse, and a special blue brillian-tine.

In applying make-up, the first things to take into account are the wrinkles. Your make-up can tone them down or point a finger at them, just according to the way you put it on. Curl up the palm of your hand; now take a puff, dip it into the powder bowl and pat it into your curled hand. New stretch-out your fingers. See what I mean. The powder outlines every line on your palm as clear as an earring.

Careful application

So make sure that the cream and powder go lightly into each little line, not over them. To do this, apply the foundation carefully, smoothing it in with light fingertips, using the more delicate third finger over the fine skin under the eyes. When powdering, use two fingers of the left hand to stretch the wrinkle places very gently indeed, while you powder into the lines.

The less make-up you use to get the right effect the better. A heavy application is more likely to clump, especially in the hot weather, and streakiness will always show itself first in those very places you do not want to advertise.

Eye shadow and cosmetic are in everyday use again. If you use any, let it be little. You will find a tiny trace of vaseline, rubbed together with a touch of shadow very effective and not so obvious—and you will prefer a cosmetic with an oil base or a lash-grooming preparation to the water cosmetic which dries stiff and hard.



London stores report a considerable demand for good cottons. Here are two models. The girl at the top wears a frock in a fine jacquard weave with light pin stripes of blue, red or green on a white ground. The sun-top and pleated shorts of the second model can be bought separately from the frock if desired, and are printed in multi-coloured designs on a white ground.

London to have a Dress Museum

A Museum of Costume may be opened in London in time for the Festival of Britain 1951. At the present time, apart from the Cunningham Collection in Manchester, England, no museum specifically devoted to dress exists in England and very few in the world.

The need for a compact organisation offering facilities for the study of costume cannot be met by the "great" museums in Britain, excellent though they are, for these have as yet amassed very little material relating to recent past, and are seldom able to display the fashions of the present. Moreover, in the large public museums, it is not possible to examine the interior structure and the texture of garments.

Twenty-one years ago an English novelist, Mrs. Doris Langley Moore, became interested in 18th and 19th century costume and began to collect items of apparel belonging to these periods. Recently she found she had more than 1,000 items in her collection dating from the mid-18th century, all of them extremely fine specimens of workmanship and material.

She discussed the matter of a museum of costume with other interested people, and received the promise of a grant from the Arts Council of Great Britain. But since a considerable sum of money will be needed also in raising the rest of it in various ways, a special display in London hotels of dress parades were held at the end of April, for instance, the seats being sold to contribute to the fund.

Mrs. Langley Moore visualises a permanent exhibition in which not only will these articles be shown but many others added to keep abreast with fashion—each year's current fashions being added, while in time men's clothes may be included.

The objective is to provide a centre where students of dress can inspect the garments in detail, and also consult the fashion plates and the reference books in the library section which will contain.

It is anticipated that the museum may be utilised by various associations connected with the dress industry, may hold dress shows and exhibitions there. At

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3 eggs separated.
Heat oven to 350° F. Melt butter in saucepan; stir in next 4 ingredients. Stir in milk gradually; cook until thickened, stirring.
Add cheese; stir over low heat until melted. Remove from heat. Fold in egg yolks, beaten until thick.
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Ann Temple FATE IS CRUEL

My cousin had rank of major in the war, has a charming wife, two lovely children, a nice home, a good job, many fine friends, and innumerable interesting acquaintances.

I remained a private. I always just failed my exams. I never made friends out of my acquaintances. In my job promotion passes me by. I am no more unpleasant than any other man in his thirties, yet today a junior colleague was given a big rise in salary and a senior position.

Do you believe that some people are fated to be happy successful,

and popular? And also how can I recapture my old cheerfulness and feel less disappointed with life than I do these days?—D.

There is no getting away from the fact that what we call Fate is kind to some, cruel to others.

But then Fate is not haphazard chance. In it there is logical cause and effect. The closest definition I know of Fate is "Unpenetrated causes."

There are causes for the sort of stuff we are. We can make the best or the worst of the stuff. We can't alter the past. We can certainly shape our future.

Don't try to make the mistake of "gratifying yourself" against "wifely comparison." Don't try to graft your own "stuff" on to someone else's roots. There is a way to success and happiness which is intrinsically your way. It is up to you to find it.

It is possible that you have been "pitifully yourself" against "immovable" objects. Instead of trying to find ways round them. There may be a tip there for you.

Anyway, take the failures and the handicaps as good; though hard, lessons, and stop out again adventurously. That's cheerful acceptance.

Is a marriage more likely to be happy if the husband and wife have similar interests?—A. P.

Not necessarily. All interests similar, but there are many which should be. Having some dissimilar interests can be diverting. It depends on the interests. For instance, a clash is adverse if the main interest of the one is sport and of the other intellectual pursuits. Or if one is strictly conventional and the other inclined to "bohemianism." Or one new argument and the other "knows" of the way to avoid it.

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NEW DELHI RELAXES A BAN

New Delhi, June 2. The Indian Government announced today that it would allow countries in the sterling area and Scandinavia freely to transfer their capital investments in India outside the country.

Regarding other countries, the Government announced two-fold relaxations.

1.—Capital invested since January 1, 1950, in projects approved by the Government may be repatriated at any time thereafter to the extent of the original investment, and from the proceeds of that investment.

2.—Any part of the profit, derived from investments and ploughed back into projects with the Government's approval may be treated as an investment for the purpose of allowing repatriation.

The amount available for repatriation would be restricted to the amount of rupees originally invested or ploughed back, the announcement said.

Appreciation of capital invested or ploughed back would not qualify.

In the case of investments by means of goods and services, the amount would be their rupee value as recorded in the books of the company or firm concerned at the time of the investment.

These repatriation facilities, the announcement added, would not apply to the purchase of shares in the Stock Exchange unless it was an integral part of an approved investment project.

Nor would they apply to capital invested before January 1, 1950.—Reuter.

BRITISH EXPORT OF CARS AT NEW HIGH

London, June 2. British production and export of cars established new high marks in March, the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders reported.

Over 1,000 passenger cars were shipped to the United States that month, compared with only 393 in March, 1949.

Cumulative exports of cars, compared with 1,747 a year ago, total exports of cars were 36,000, compared with 22,472 in March last year. Exports of trucks and buses were 13,000, compared with 8,395 last March.

Weekly production during March averaged 16,200 passenger cars and 5,300 commercial vehicles.—Associated Press.

BRITISH WARNING

Geneva, June 3. Unless co-operation improves, Britain may stop sending experts to technical committees of the Economic Commission for Europe, Mr. Ernest Davies, the British Foreign Under-Secretary of State, warned today.

Mr. Davies, leader of the British delegation, told the Commission's fifth session here today that the coal, inland transport and timber committees had carried out valuable work for the Commission, but the trade, agriculture and industry and materials committees had achieved nothing during the past year because of the lack of co-operation among members and no adequate basis of agreement.

Mr. Averell Harriman, the United States roving Ambassador for the Marshall Plan, said he particularly wanted to associate himself with Mr. Davies' remarks.

This did not mean that the United States, too, was considering not sending experts, he said, but he stressed the need for greater production.

Europe's economic problems could be solved only by a bold policy of expansion.—Reuter.

LONDON STOCKS

London, June 2. Losses about balanced gains in a quiet session of the Stock Exchange today. Profit-taking in some recently active industries resulted in declines for a few pence.

Government bonds were firm throughout and oils easier. The Financial Times' index was 113.2.—Associated Press.

LONDON TIN

London, June 2. Cash tin on the London Metal Exchange advanced five shillings in late afternoon prices to £602 1/2 a ton.

Ninety-day futures dropped five shillings to £603 3/4.—Associated Press.

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Indian Finance Minister on his resignation

New Delhi, June 2. Dr. John Matthai, who laid down office as India's Finance Minister on Wednesday, said today that his differences with the Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, were not only over the appointment of a National Planning Commission but also over the vital question of control over Governmental expenditure.

Dr. Matthai also disclosed that he was one of the Cabinet Ministers who regarded the conclusion of the recent Indo-Pakistan agreement on minorities with grave misgivings, though he accepted the position that the pact should be given an honest and fair trial as the Government had been committed to it.

He was replying to Pandit Nehru's statement at Trivandrum yesterday that their differences largely concerned the appointment and purposes of the Planning Commission set up in March with the Prime Minister as Chairman.

Dr. Matthai, in a statement, said that there was a general tendency among central Ministers today to disregard the authority of Parliament's standing Finance Committee, which was one of the most important safeguards against extravagant public expenditure.

Some of the greatest offenders in this respect, he alleged, had been departments functioning under the Prime Minister's immediate control. The result had been a definite weakening of the Government's campaign for economy.

Citing a typical example of such extravagance, Dr. Matthai said that the Standing Finance Committee agreed to a proposal that India's High Commissioner in London should also be her Ambassador in Ireland, the understanding that no expenditure other than his travelling expenses should be incurred.

Ill-timed. The Committee's suggestion was accepted by Pandit Nehru's External Affairs Ministry as part of the economy drive but was turned down by the High Commissioner and the matter was brought before the Cabinet at the Prime Minister's instance. The Cabinet had now agreed. Dr. Matthai said that the Indian Embassy in Dublin should be provided with a building and staff against the Committee's recommendations.

Dr. Matthai added that this was typical of many proposals from Ministries abandoned owing to financial stringency but now being raised again "although the budgetary position is more difficult now than at the time I presented the budget."

Dr. Matthai said he considered the Planning Commission not merely ill-timed but ill-conceived.

It was totally unnecessary, he said, because various Ministries had at present on their shelves plans at an estimated cost of Rs. 20,000 crores, which had been held up for lack of finance, material and technical personnel.

Dr. Matthai felt that the Commission tended to become a parallel Cabinet, and increases the area of argumentation and discussion and makes for delay in arriving at decisions on immediate problems.—Reuter.

IRRAWADDY CO. CASE

Rangoon, June 2. The Burmese Government today withdrew its appeal to the Supreme Court for permission to compensate the British-owned Irrawaddy Flotilla Company through non-convertible bonds because it lacked funds.

The Government said the matter had now been satisfactorily settled out of court.

Last year the Government was ordered to pay \$125,300 Burmese Rupees to the company if nationalised in 1949.

The Government, pleading inability to make a cash payment, asked if compensation could be made through non-convertible bonds.—Associated Press.

London, June 2. A Franco-Mexican payments and trade agreement has been reached in principle, Director Carlos Novoa of the Bank of Mexico said today.

A special delegation headed by Mr. Novoa has started exploratory talks with British Board of Trade officials to promote increased trade relations between Mexico and Europe. Mr. Novoa hopes the agreement similar to the French trade pact can be signed with Britain.—Associated Press.

Economic projects for the Colonies

London, June 2. Britain intends to undertake 350 major economic projects in its Colonial territories at an expense of £400,000,000, the Colonial Secretary, Mr. James Griffiths, announced today.

Mr. Griffiths in an official report said that most of the planned projects are health, food raising and educational schemes in Africa, the Far East and the West Indies.—Associated Press.

DECISION ON CONDITIONS IN PANAMA SHIPS

Scheveningen, June 2. The International Shipping Federation at its annual meeting has reached a decision on the question of social conditions in Panamanian ships.

The final communiqué issued after the meeting gave no details, however, of the nature of the decisions.

Other decisions at the two-day meeting concerned the Seattle Labour conventions of 1946, the liability of foreign seamen to taxation in the country of registration of the vessels in which they serve and a proposal to hold a special regional conference to consider the condition of employment of Asian seamen.

TRADE AGREEMENT EXTENSION

Warsaw, June 2. The Israel-Poland trade agreement signed in May, 1949, has been extended until December 31, 1950.

The statement gave no details. It was understood from the Israel Legation that Polish meat and other food exports would be limited to the amount of construction material increased to assist Israel's building programme.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, June 2. Grains weakened today with the highly volatile soybean contract down 10 cents, the daily limit, at one time. The extreme weakness in July beans did not give a true picture of the market.

While grains eased, there was nothing to resemble a wide open break. Wheat closed 1-1/8 to 1-3/4 lower.

July	\$2.04 3/4
September	\$2.10-10 1/4
December	\$2.18 5/8
Corn was 1/4 lower to 1/4 higher.	
July	\$1.47-1.47 1/4
Oats were 1/4 to 1/2 lower.	
July	\$1.33
Soybeans were 1-1/2 to 3/4 lower.	
July	\$3.12 3/4-3.13
Lard was 5 to 8 cents per 100 lbs. lower.	
July	\$12.75.—Associated Press.

TREASURY CHIEF NOT WORRIED

Washington, June 2. Secretary of the Treasury Snyder is not worried about the current upsurge in stock market prices and sales.

Summing up a list of favourable factors affecting the economy, Mr. Snyder added: "In short no significant elements of weakness have appeared in the business picture, such as those which in the past have always preceded business downturns."—Associated Press.

DEMAND FOR JAP BICYCLES

Tokyo, June 3. The Japanese Economic daily "Nippon Keizai" reported an increasing demand for Japanese-made bicycles in South East Asia.

The paper said Burma wants 320,000 worth of the vehicles by September while Pakistan is reported to want a 600,000 delivery. Ceylon is also expected to buy substantial Japanese bicycles.—Associated Press.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, June 2. Demand for steel shares stiffened the market today. There was no clear-cut trend, however, for changes were limited to small fractions either way and numerous leaders remained at Thursday's final levels.

During the morning the price level showed a tendency to curve downward. In the afternoon enough buying appeared to check a real set-back and to lift some issues from minus to plus columns.

Traders were inclined to caution and business for the most part was routine. Sales were about \$500,000 shares for the full session.

A handful of shares showing independent firmness included U.S. Steel, Chrysler, Woolworth, Anderson Clayton, all up fractionally.

Rails with several exceptions hung back, a fact which has troubled a good many market students who would like to see carrier stocks catch up with other key groups.

Higher prices were paid for Youngstown Sheet, National Steel, American Smelting, Air Reduction, Dow Chemical, Dupont, Santa Fe.

Dow Jones averages: 20 Industrials 223.71; 15 Rails 58.33; 10 Utilities 48.50; Stocks 78.19.

Closing quotations:

Adams Express	22 3/4
Alaska Juneau	2 3/4
American Can	118 1/4
"Smelting	59 1/4
"Telephone	159 3/4
"Tobacco	67 1/4
"Waterworks	10 1/4
Anacosta Copper	32
Aviation Corp.	8 1/4
Baldwin Locomotive	10 1/4
Barnsdall	61 1/4
Bendix Aviation	48 1/4
Borden Co.	50 1/4
Canadian Pacific	15 1/4
J. I. Case	43 1/4
Chrysler	69 1/4
Colgate	46
Commercial Solvent	18
Corn Products	69 1/4
Du Pont	79 1/4
Eastman Kodak	46 1/4
Electric Light & Power	49 1/4
General Motors	80 1/4
Goodrich	58 1/4
Goodyear	55 1/4
Homestead Mining	45 1/4
International Harvester	28 1/4
"Paper	45
"Tel. & Tel.	10 1/4
Johns Manville	80 1/4
Kennecott Copper	58 1/4
Montgomery Ward	60 1/4
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"Leopold	40 1/4
New York Central	40 1/4
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"Carbide	50 1/4
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"Steel	33 1/4
"Lines	15 1/4
Westinghouse	35 1/4
Youngstown Sheet & Tube	92
Gen. Pub. Utilities	17

ICAO REPLY TO PEKING

Montreal, June 3. No decision is necessary on the Chinese Communist Government's demand that the Nationalist delegation be dropped from the International Civil Air Lines Organization, an ICAO spokesman stated here today.

No Chinese representative was at present attending the conference, he said, and the authorities at Peking would be so informed.—Reuter.

NY COTTON

New York, June 2. The cotton textile market was steady today but activity was confined to buying of nearby goods in print cloths and broadcloths. Sales of sheetings were scattered.

According to market reports, Indonesia is seeking 3,000,000 yards of twills mostly for third quarter delivery.

Wool goods were firm. Rayon goods held steady influenced by good demand from the dress trade for summer fabrics.—Associated Press.

GRANT TO KOREA

Washington, June 2. Korea today was given \$22,174,000 of ECA money, to be used in expanding the production of fertilizer, cement and coal.

The Economic Co-operation Administration said \$15,000,000 is to finance the construction of a nitrate fertilizer plant to have a production capacity of 100,000 tons annually.

Most of this money will be spent to buy equipment in the U.S.

Another \$4,000,000 will be used to expand cement plant.—Associated Press.

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MEDIATOR IN KARACHI

Karachi, June 2.

On the first day of his visit to Karachi as the United Nations representative in the Kashmir issue, Sir Owen Dixon spent nearly four hours with the Pakistan Minister for Foreign Affairs, Sir Mohammed Zafarullah Khan. He also met Nawab Mustaq Ahmad Garmani, the Pakistan Minister for Kashmir Affairs.

Sir Owen's diplomatic adviser Mr. Eric Golban, met Mr. Mohammed Ali, the Secretary-General of the Pakistan Government, and Mr. Mohammed Ayub the liaison officer of the Ministry of Kashmir Affairs.

Sir Owen was the guest of honour at a dinner given by the Governor-General of Pakistan Mr. Khwaja Nazimuddin, which was attended by Pakistani Ministers, Commonwealth High Commissioners and the United States Ambassador, Mr. Avra M. Warren.—Reuter.

CIVIL AIRLINE FOR EAST GERMANY?

Berlin, June 2. Ground state and technicians for an East German civil air fleet, mainly former members of the German Luftwaffe, have already been recruited, the North West German Radio reported today.

The East German Deputy Premier, Herr Walter Ulbricht, announced on May 25 that his Government would shortly apply to the Soviet Control Commission for permission to establish civil air lines.

Any flying activity by Germany would be contrary to specific four-Power agreements, a British spokesman stated.—Reuter.

VC CHARGED IN DIVORCE SUIT

Norwich, June 2.

Suit for divorce from Geoffrey Leonard Cheshire, V. C., the famous wartime Royal Air Force flyer, was filed today by former actress Constance Binney.

The suit alleges that Cheshire, who retired from the Royal Air Force in 1946 with the rank of Group Captain, deserted her in 1945, four years after their marriage in Montreal.

She asks alimony pending the hearing of the action.

A court notice said that Cheshire is living at the home of his father, Dr. Geoffrey Chevalier Cheshire at Abingdon, Berkshire.—Associated Press.

MARKET HOLIDAYS

New York, June 3.

In accordance with customary summer time schedules, major security exchanges will be closed this Saturday and every Saturday through September.

Several commodity exchanges also will be closed Saturdays throughout the summer but will return to normal schedules at various times in September.

The Saturday schedule:

Closed Saturdays, June 3 through September 30—all stock and curb exchanges in the United States and Canada.

Closed Saturdays, June 3 through September 2—New York and New Orleans cotton exchanges.

Closed on Saturdays all year round are the New York Wool, Commodity, Coffee and Sugar Exchanges, the New York Clearing House and the London Stock Exchange.

Remaining open Saturdays throughout the summer are the Chicago Board of Trade and the Winnipeg Grain Exchange.—Associated Press.

HOW TEST MATCHES ARE RULED

By N. W. D. YARDLEY

Having discussed the work of the MCC and its various committees, it seems opportune to trace the relationship between MCC and the other three main cricket governing bodies—namely, the Imperial Cricket Conference, the Board of Control for Test Matches at Home, and the Advisory County Cricket Committee. The Imperial Cricket Conference deals with international affairs. Lord's is the headquarters of this conference, and England is represented at the meetings by MCC.

The qualification for representation on the Conference is: "The governing bodies of cricket in countries within the Empire to which cricket teams are sent, or which send teams to England, are entitled to send two representatives of such governing bodies to the Imperial Cricket Conference."

The MCC, on its own initiative, may, or on the request of the said governing bodies shall, summon a meeting of the Imperial Cricket Conference.

Those countries represented are England, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand, India and the West Indies.

Main functions

The main functions of the Conference are to deal with Test cricket, and to frame the rules under which Test matches are played.

Overseas Boards of Control when one of their own members is not available, nominate an English representative to attend these meetings. R. W. V. Robins, the Middlesex captain, watches Australia's interests, and Sir Pelham Warner acts for the West Indies.

And what is a Test match? If Pakistan or Canada sent a team to this country, could they play Test cricket? The "Rules of Test Matches" make it clear that only matches played between the above six countries recognised by the Imperial Cricket Conference shall be known as Tests. As Pakistan and Canada are not members, these countries could play only representative cricket—not Test matches.

Qualification for a cricketer to play in Test matches is briefly (a) by birth, and (b) by four years' residence. If during that time he has not played for the country of his birth.

A cricketer who has once played in a Test match for any country is not eligible to play against that country without the consent of its Board of Control.

Programme of tour

The programme of tour and Test matches is arranged by the Imperial Cricket Conference and the governing bodies of its members. But the duration of Test matches is a matter for the two countries concerned.

The Board of Control for Test matches at home was formed by the MCC in 1888 at the request of counties to be the governing body for Test matches played in England.

The Board is constituted as follows: the president of the MCC (or someone nominated by him) as chairman, with five other representatives of the MCC Committee. The Board is completed by one representative from each of the ten leading counties of the previous year, together with one representative from the counties on whose grounds Test matches are played, provided that they are not already represented.

Functions of the Board include the organisation and administration of all Test and Test trial matches in England, and the appointment of a Selection Committee.

The present rule is that this Committee shall consist of a chairman and three other members. They appoint a captain who

TIBETAN MISSION DUE HERE

Calcutta, June 3.

The Chinese Communist Government has written to an eight-man Tibetan Commission, now in Calcutta, declaring their willingness to meet the commission for talks about Tibet's future, it was authoritatively learned here today.

The Tibetan mission has planned to leave here shortly for Hong Kong. Their task was described only as to contact the Chinese Government and arrange talks. On the way, they intended to call at Delhi.

Today, after the message had been received from Peking, a spokesman of the mission said it was probable that the original plans would be followed.

The mission preferred to contact the Chinese Communists at the Hong Kong border "because there are no regular routes to China from Tibet except mule tracks, which are difficult to negotiate."

He added: "We expect a lot of help in our mission from the Indian and British Governments."

The spokesman told Reuter the mission had experienced some attempts at outside interference on their way to contact the Chinese Communists. "We do not like to tolerate any outside interference in this," he added. The spokesman declined to reveal the source of the "interference."

Asked to comment on London Press reports from Gangtok, in Sikkim, that the Tibetans felt "deserted by the Western powers," the spokesman stated: "This is the concern of officials at Lhasa." —Reuter.

GOVT. SHAKE-UP IN SPAIN?

Madrid, June 3.

Generalissimo Franco abruptly cancelled his regular weekly cabinet meeting yesterday and usually reliable political informants expressed belief that a government shake-up may be impending.

The official reason given for the almost unprecedented cancellation of the cabinet meeting was that Franco was busy writing his speech for today's closing national conference of engineers.—Associated Press.

"IMMORALITY" IN SOUTH AFRICA

Capetown, June 2.

Ernest Hicks, a British seaman, who was the first white man in South Africa to be convicted under South Africa's new immorality act which prohibits consorting between whites and non-whites, was repatriated today in the Winchester Castle.

Hicks was sentenced in Capetown last week to four months imprisonment, three of which were suspended.

The girl in the case was also sent to jail.—Associated Press.

VAN ZYL OFF FOR UK

Capetown, June 2.

Mr. G. Brand van Zyl, Governor-General of the Union of South Africa, and Mrs. van Zyl sailed in the Winchester Castle today for a three-months holiday in England.

They were seen off by the Prime Minister, Dr. D. Malan, and members of the Cabinet.

Mr. van Zyl, whose term of office expires this year, will be replaced during his absence by the Chief Justice of the Union, E. F. Watermeyer.—Associated Press.

MR. GRIFFITHS MEETS INDIANS

Singapore, June 2.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. James Griffiths, met a joint delegation of the Malayan Indian Congress and the Malayan Indian Association this morning at Kuala Lumpur.

The three Congress delegates were headed by the Congress President, Mr. S. Ramaswami, and an equal number of the Indian Association delegates by their President, G. V. Thevar. The meeting lasted half an hour.—Reuter.

Denis Compton withdraws from first Test

London, June 2.

Denis Compton, Middlesex and England cricketer, who was operated on earlier today for the removal of some loose fragment of bone from his right knee, has withdrawn from the first Test against the West Indies, beginning at Manchester next Thursday, it was announced today.

Tom Dillery, of Warwickshire, is named as deputy.

MCC statement

A statement by the Marylebone Cricket Club said: "A helpful examination on the right knee joint has been performed. An inspection of the articular joint surfaces was made and some loose fragment of bone having been located, was removed."

It is too early yet to know if the operation will enable Compton to continue in first-class cricket. He is remaining in the clinic, though the period of his stay has not been announced.—Reuter

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Home cricket:

WARWICK RETAIN LEAD IN CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE

London, June 2.

Warwickshire failed to gain a point at Birmingham against Glamorgan but retained the lead in the County Cricket Championship table with 52 points from eight games.

First innings points for Surrey over Lancashire took them into second place with 44 points from eight games, while Northamptonshire dropped to third place after a pointless draw with 40 points from seven games.

Lancashire remained in fourth position four points behind but with only six matches played, Middlesex shared fourth place with seven games played.

The biggest jump in the table was that of Sussex, who beat Kent from 11th to sixth place with 32 points.

Kent and Somerset occupy the bottom places each with four points. Kent having played five and Somerset six games.

Middlesex needed only 35 minutes to finish off the match against Worcester by nine wickets at Lords to gain their second victory of the season.

The public were admitted without payment and the second half of the day ended Worcester's resistance.

Middlesex wanted only 34 runs to win and they hit off the runs for the loss of Brown.

Offered more resistance

The result was never in doubt at Gillingham, where Sussex beat Kent by 19 wickets. Kent, who resumed with eight wickets in hand, needing 128 runs to avoid an innings defeat, offered more resistance than in the first innings.

Mayes, their young opening batsman, made his highest score in County cricket, hitting 65 runs in two and three-quarter hours.

Main sport: The prospects of an interesting finish at Epsom, where Glamorgan took first innings points from the County leaders, Warwickshire. Glamorgan were able to score 219 runs in three hours to win and 40 minutes' interrupted batting yielded only 23 runs.

Don Shepherd, fast-medium bowler, finished off Warwickshire's innings this morning in a spell of two overs in which he clean-bowled Volton, Hitchcock and Fitchard and ran out Lewis.

Wooler, the Glamorgan captain, has a suspected fracture of the index finger of his right hand after being struck by a fast Titchard delivery.

A remarkable repeat performance of their thrilling win over Derbyshire in 1947 was accomplished by Leicestershire on the same ground at Leicester.

A pull for six

With six minutes of the extra half hour remaining, 19-year-old Charles Wooler, Leicestershire's new fast-medium bowler from Southern Rhodesia, put all his power behind a pull for six that carried his County to victory by four wickets against their Midland neighbours.

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F. G. da Luz, V. A. V. Ribeiro, F. Rodrigues v J. Rowan, W. B. Brown, R. B. Marshall at KCC.

D. A. Rozario, C. Coelho, A. A. Razack v W. Stoker, A. G. Gardner, A. K. Minu, at HKFC.

P. Hughes, W. McCall, J. G. Meyer v J. S. Baxter, A. Steven, W. G. Meikle, at RRC.

M. Ferreira, P. A. da Costa, J. J. Basia v K. M. Rumanji, M. B. Hussain, U. A. Rumanji, at KCC.

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Winners of D. C. Alves and W. Hong Sling v M. J. Medina, A. J. Coelho, G. C. Jorge, at KDC.

J. Urquhart, A. Mackenzie, T. O. Morgan v B. A. Mansell, R. I. Bickford, N. J. Bebbington, at CCC.

E. R. Marker, A. H. Abbas, O. R. Enock v A. L. Roberts, J. H. O'Grady, W. V. Field, at PRC.

C. Pope, C. Gough, W. Cameron v A. E. Elliott, W. L. Hilley, W. Gaffney, at CCC.

J. S. Landolt, G. A. Souza, G. Hong Choy v L. J. Costello, M. T. Nunes, J. A. Delgado, at HKFC.

HOCKEY

Press v Unipres at King's Park, 3.30 p.m.; Civilians v RAF (Quadrangular Tournament Final), 4.30 p.m.

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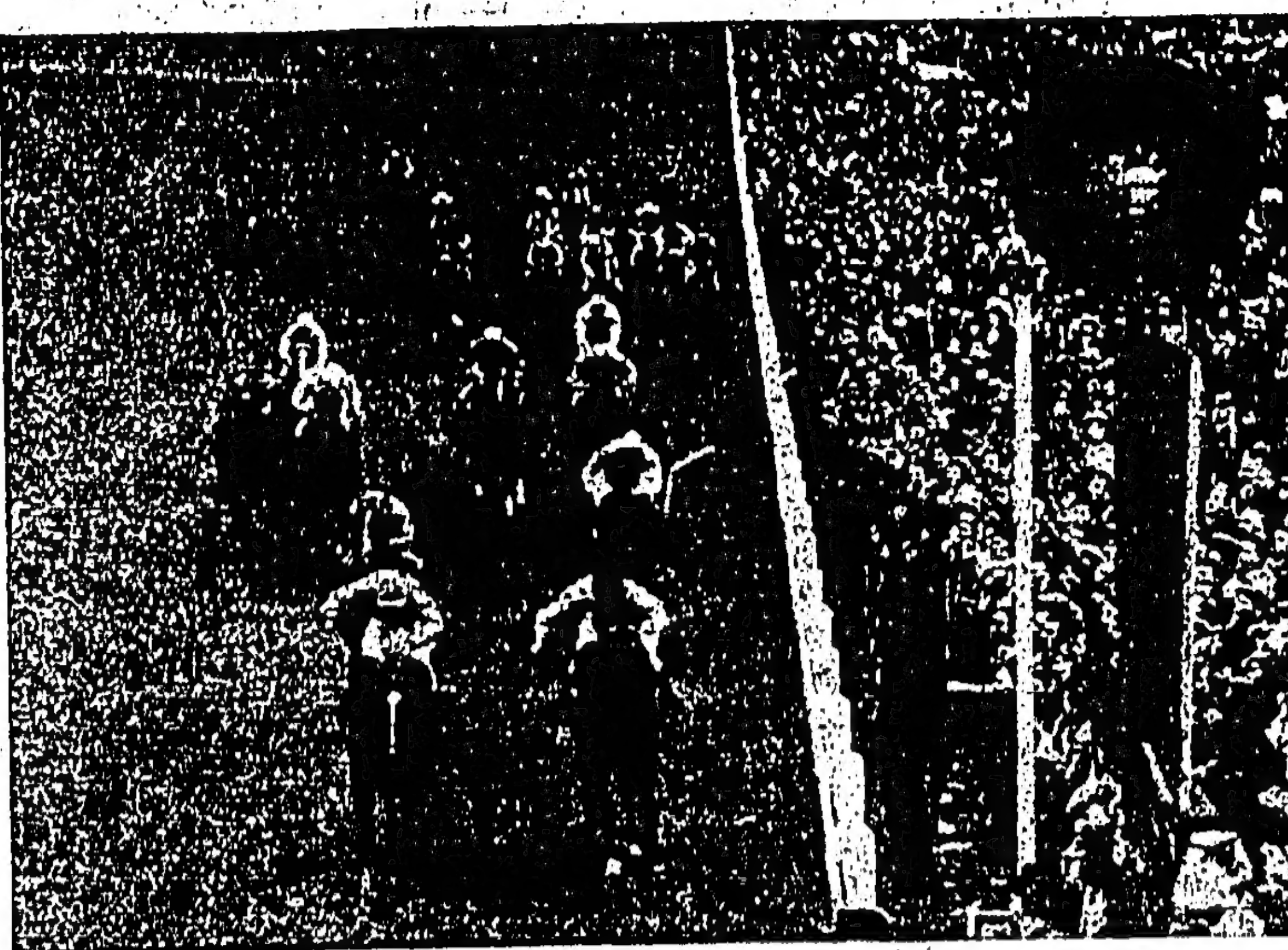
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Galcador wins Derby



Australian jockey Rae Johnstone scored a wonderful double for himself and French owner Marcel Boussard by riding Galcador to win the English Derby by a head from Prince Simon. Shown above is the finish of the mile and a half Classic. Galcador is on the left with Prince Simon nearest the rails. Double Eclipse is behind Galcador and Telegram II directly behind Prince Simon.—(AP photo).

Baseball:

Dodgers triumph over Cards; Tigers wallop Athletics

New York, June 3.

Homers by left-fielder Jim Russell, centre-fielder Duke Snider and shortstop Billy Cox propelled Brooklyn to an 8-1 victory over St. Louis, giving the Dodgers undisputed possession of first place by one full game.

Shortstop Marty Marion scored the Redbirds' only run, driving a homer in the second inning. The game was delayed one hour and seven minutes between the seventh inning because of rain.

Five Cincinnati errors and two passed balls marred a hectic game as the New York Giants squeezed out two runs in the ninth inning to take the contest. Five of New York's runs were unearned.

The St. Louis Browns mailed Washington pitching for 26 hits to take a twilight night double-header from the Senators.

An avalanche of injuries decimated the Senators, who lost the services of outfielder Gil Coan for at least 30 days due to a fractured skull.

He was hurt sliding into Owan Friend, St. Louis second baseman, attempting to break up a double play in the seventh inning first game.

Dick Weik, who relieved in both games, was struck on the left leg by a line drive in the second game and limped off the field.

A foul tip

Mickey Grasso, Senator catcher, was struck on the neck by a foul tip and left the game, while in the first game Sam Mello, Washington's leading hitter, suffered recurrence of a groin injury and missed the second game.

In the American League, Detroit, advanced to within two games of the league lead by soundly trouncing Philadelphia in last night's second game to gain a clean sweep of a twilight night bill.

George Kell paced the Tigers with a homer, triple, double and single—the first time in his major league career he has hit for the cycle.

Johnny Groth, also cycled, a second game homer as did Eddie Joost for the Athletics.

Scores—

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Brooklyn 8 St. Louis 1
Cincinnati 6 Philadelphia 0
Pittsburgh 4 Boston 0

Winning pitcher: Bill McDonald, loss: Warren Spahn.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Detroit 10 Philadelphia 0
Washington 2 New York 0
Cleveland 3 Baltimore 0

St. Louis (1st game) 10 12 0
Washington 5 8 2
Winning pitcher: Al Widmar, loss: Sid Hudson.

St. Louis (2nd game) 9 14 0
Washington 3 7 0
Winning pitcher: Harry Dorris, loss: Lloyd Hiltz.

Detroit (2nd game) 10 21 0
Philadelphia 5 13 2
Winner: Freddie Hutchinson, loss: Alex Kellner.

Chicago 6 9 1
New York 5 13 1
Winning pitcher Ray Scarborough, loss: Vic Raschi.

Cleveland 5 13 1
Boston 11 12 0
Winning pitcher Joe Dobson, loss: Bob Feller.

—Associated Press.

Bobby Locke wins Spalding Golf tourney

Worthing, Sussex, June 2.

The South African, Bobby Locke, British Open Champion, won the first prize of £300 in the Spalding golf tournament today with a 72-holes aggregate of 297.

This failed by one stroke to equal the British tournament record of 288 set up by Dick Burton last year, but his 34-hole total of 197 beat Burton's record by one stroke.

Locke's four rounds were 64, 66, 68 and 70.

The British Ryder Cup player, Dai Rees, who equalled the course record set up in this tournament by Locke and the Irishman, Fred Daly, with a final round of 64, finished with 269. Daly had 271.—Reuters.

NARENDRA NATH IN FINAL OF SURREY CHAMPIONSHIP

Surbiton, June 2.

Narendra Nath, who is ranked No. 3 in India, reached the final of the men's singles in the Surrey Lawn Tennis Championships here today when his opponent, Marjial Kumar, who is ranked No. 4, conceded a walkover.

He has completed the third round of the tournament and will play in the quarter-finals today.

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UNIQUE YACHT RACE

A unique yacht race round the Colony between two Dragon class yachts, the La Linda and Piet Hein II, commenced at 11 o'clock last night.

The race was to have finished about 4 a.m. today.

Mr. John McKay was skipper or board the La Linda, with Mr. J. A. King as crew.

The Piet Hein II was in charge of Mr. Van Heel, who had as his crew Mr. Bill Hancock, Miss Diana Flint and Miss Betty Taylor.

The yachts, after starting from Kellie Island, proceeded by way of Lyemum and were to have returned to the starting point by way of Sulphur Channel.

All confident

Everyone in the camp—Woodcock himself, his father Sam and brother Billy, manager Tom Hurst and trainer Ted Greenslade—all confident that Bruce will win by a knockout, probably around the seventh round.

The training set-up presents a complete contrast to the camp he had in Galway last year before the Mills fight. There, his audience consisted mainly of small boys and local workpeople who "popped" their bicycles against the hedge as they stopped on their way home from work to watch him.

This time Bruce is the show-bice of Welles, Gwrych Castle, the £180,000 home of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie T. Salls, was already a famous attraction for parties coming on a day's outing, but Bruce is drawing thousands more.

Last Sunday 20,000 spectators stood or sat on the steeply sloping lawn or gazed from the battlemented terraces to watch him at work.

The vast crowds are welcomed. They are part of an excitement and it has proved so successful that the whole training scheme for big fights in this country is likely to be changed.

Woodcock has been trained not only for Savold, but for the big fight atmosphere. At the start of each work-out, to get to the ring he has to go through exactly the same ritual that will follow on the night of the fight.

Immediately he appears at the top of a flight of steps leading from his suite to the open-air ring on the lawn, loudspeakers blare a recording of the Benjamin Franklin march, and the music continues while the white-gowned boxer and his helpers march through a lane in the maze of cheering, back-slapping spectators.

While he is loosening-up in the ring the music changes to "Colonel Bogey" and later there is a version of "Stars and Stripes" which is expected to be played while Savold makes his entry at the White City.

The best yet

Playing them at all his training sessions is the idea of Mr. Salls, a Liverpool business man, who apart from his interest in Gwrych, is a keen follower of boxing.

The preliminaries for a great occasion can easily be understood by the fact that the preliminary fight between Lee Savold and Lee Woodcock, which is expected to be a main event, is expected to be a main event.

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New Bruce is king of the castle

By JIMMY WILDE

Bruce Woodcock is going in "to make a smashing, polished job of it" when he meets Lee Savold for the world heavyweight championship at White City, London, on Tuesday. That is the prophecy which his manager, Tom Hurst, made to me as we watched the British champion working out at Gwrych Castle, Abergele.

Nearly 100,000 people who have seen him in training there, hold much the same view.

Bruce is already down to the weight at which he expects to enter the ring—13st. 9lb. He is punching hard, moving fast, and his timing is perfect.

When I saw him during the week he brought over a terrific left which ripped a punch ball from its moorings, in the middle of the ring floor. Two minutes previously a stalling right had lifted sparring partner Mark Hart off his feet into the ropes.

This is a new Woodcock. I had heard that claim before. Now I have seen for myself and know it to be true. Gone is the grim, slightly nervous young man putting on an air of confidence for the benefit of casual watchers.

He is still grim, in his determination to crown his life's ambition by winning the title, but he is sufficiently relaxed and at ease to take time off in the middle of a serious training session for a bit of clowning in the ring. I've never before seen that from him.

The only slight doubt I have in my mind is that he may have reached the peak of fitness too soon. The trailing air of this castle retreat, 350 feet above the sea that laps the edge of the grounds, coupled with a colossal appetite and plenty of hard work, has brought him along unexpectedly quickly.

Fortunately, the danger of staleness has been forestalled, so training spells are being cut down and on some days abolished altogether. And to break any feeling of monotony, friends are popping in to visit him. Freddy Mills and Ted Broadbent were there the other day.

Every morning he does six miles of gruelling running and walking. The going is so steep and rough that not even the schoolboys from Rhyl and Abergele try to keep him company, and trainer Ted Greenslade cannot decide whether to run with him or cycle, complaining "I've got to carry the bike nearly half way over the rough bits."

Woodcock's day goes like this: 8 a.m. sherry, egg and milk; then out on the road, 10 a.m. breakfast, grapefruit or tomato juice, cereal or fruit and cream, liver, sweetbread or kidneys, bacon and egg, bread and butter and honey. Then he rests until 12.45 hours at 12 tomato juice or grapefruit, salmon or chicken salad, and jelly or baked custard.

The afternoon is spent relaxing and preparing for the work-out at 4.15. Then at 6.30 comes dinner—soup, steak or lamb cutlets (grilled), tomatoes, creamed potatoes and fresh green; fruit salad or custard. After that he rests or goes to the pictures for a little while, returning in time for bed at around 10 p.m. If he's hungry again, and he often is, he takes the pantry with devastating results to the stock.

He has set himself some voluntary "homework"—several hours a day autographing pictures of himself. He frequently signs 1,000 a day.

He is obviously enjoying himself, and the effect on him is as noticeable as ambitious plans are for making Gwrych a permanent camp for champions and title contenders. Already rumours are buzzing that Bruce will be back at Gwrych to defend the world heavyweight title against champion Joe Louis.

Lee Savold is almost the only conversational topic that is barred in the training quarters. Woodcock is never allowed to forget that he is a central figure in a big show; the pageantry and showmanship are kept up all the time.

A Union Jack hangs over one corner of the ring; another flies from the top of a pole 10 yards away and others flutter from the turrets of the castle.

The walls are draped with bunting and a giant banner round the ring proclaims: "Good luck to our Gwrych Castle to Bruce Woodcock."

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SIAMESE BOXER'S SUCCESSFUL DEBUT

Brisbane, June 3.

The Siamese featherweight boxing champion, Klong Phin, made a successful debut in Australia when he decisively out-pointed the Australian, Joel Ryan, over 12 rounds here last night.

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